

Honduras president, others targets of DEA investigation

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NEW YORK (AP) — U.S. federal court documents show Honduran President Juan Orlando Hernández and some of his closest advisers were among the targets of a Drug Enforcement Administration investigation. A document filed by prosecutors on Tuesday in the Southern District of New York mentions Hernández as part of a group of individuals investigated by the DEA since about 2013 for participating "in large-scale drug-trafficking and money laundering activities relating to the importation of cocaine into the United States".

Hernández was elected

president of Honduras in late 2013.

The document is a July 2015 application to the court to compel Apple, Google, Microsoft, Yahoo and AOL to give investigators email header information, but not emails' content, for a number of accounts. Two of the accounts are believed to be of Hernández, the documents says.

There is no indication charges have been brought against Hernández.

Also included in the request are the email accounts of the president's sister Hilda Hernández, his adviser Ebal Díaz and his security minister Julián Pacheco Tinoco.

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In this Aug. 6, 2014 file photo released by the U.S. Department of Defense, Honduran President Juan Orlando Hernandez, left, listens to U.S. Marine Gen. John Kelly, commander of U.S. Southern Command, during Hernandez's official visit to the command's headquarters in Miami, Florida.

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Hilda Hernández, who helped manage the finances of the president's political party and his presidential campaign, died in a December 2015 helicopter crash. The request also named four members of the wealthy and politically-connected Rosenthal family.

Yani Rosenthal, a former national lawmaker and presidential candidate, pleaded guilty in U.S. federal court in 2017 for money laundering for the Cachiros drug trafficking organization.

The new court filing is part of the pre-trial motions in the case of Hernandez's brother Juan Antonio "Tony" Hernández, who was ar-

rested in 2018 in Miami and accused of scheming for years to bring tons of cocaine into the country. His trial is expected to start in September.

A spokesman for the Southern District of New York said on Thursday the court's response to the application for email header information is not public information. He declined to comment further.

The document filed Tuesday raises the possibility that the DEA has email data for Honduras' president and members of his inner circle dating to 2015. Messages left for Díaz, who is Hernández's de facto spokesman, were not immediately returned. Pacheco could not be immediately reached, but the



A man throws a bin at a torched police vehicle during a protest against the government of Honduras' President Juan Orlando Hernandez, in Tegucigalpa, Honduras, Thursday, May 30, 2019.
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government has previously denied allegations against him.

Pacheco has been dogged by allegations of his links to drug traffickers since at least 2017 when a leader of Honduras' Cachiros cartel testified in another case in New York about his ties to drug traffickers.

Pacheco had served under Hernández's predecessor, Porfirio "Pepe" Lobo Sosa, as the government's chief of investigation and intelligence. Lobo's son Fabio was sentenced to 24 years in a U.S. prison in 2017 for drug trafficking.

On Thursday, a DEA spokeswoman referred questions asked by The Associated Press to the Southern District of New York.

The U.S. government has been a staunch supporter of Hernández's government, pouring millions of dollars into security cooperation because Honduras is a key transshipment point for cocaine headed to the U.S. from South America.

Hernández had especially curried favor with Gen. John Kelly who had led the U.S. military's Southern

Command and later became President Donald Trump's chief of staff. Kelly advocated for continued U.S. support of Hernández's government, noting their contributions to the war on drugs and progress in combatting corruption.

When Hernández's already controversial re-election was marred by irregularities in late 2017, the U.S. government congratulated him while the opposition was still contesting the vote count.

With Hondurans filling the ranks of several large migrant caravans during the past year, the U.S. has continued to support Hernández while pressuring his government to stem the immigration flow.

Many Honduran migrants encountered making the journey to the U.S. border during the past year have referenced government corruption among their reasons for leaving. Thousands of doctors and teachers have been marching through the streets of Honduras' capital for three weeks against presidential decrees they

say would lead to massive public sector layoffs. On Thursday, a massive march led to clashes with police who fired tear gas against some protesters' rocks. Retired history professor Dana Frank, whose recent book "The Long Honduran Night: Resistance, Terror, and the United States in the Aftermath of the Coup" details the country's recent political turmoil said the documents confirm the U.S. government has known about drug trafficking activities linked to Hernández for years.

"Why have U.S. officials — from the State Department to the White House to the Southern Command — continued for years now to celebrate, and pour security funding into, a government whose very topmost officials and security figures it has known were drug traffickers?" Frank said. "This evidence underscores the vast hypocrisy of U.S. policy, which backs a known drug trafficker and his police and military cronies, while claiming to do so in the name of fighting crime and drugs." □

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New memorial area dedicated at World Trade Center site

By **KAREN MATTHEWS****Associated Press**

NEW YORK (AP) — Family members of recovery workers who died after digging through smoldering ruins joined city officials Thursday at a dedication ceremony for a new section of the Sept. 11 memorial at the World Trade Center in lower Manhattan. They were joined by recovery workers who themselves are ill.

The 9/11 Memorial Glade honors rescue and recovery workers who were sickened or died after responding to the Sept. 11 attacks. The grassy clearing on the southwest corner of the 8-acre (3-hectare) plaza includes a path flanked with six huge, sloping stone structures made of granite slabs inlaid with steel recovered from the fallen trade center towers.

The larger memorial's original architects, Michael Arad and Peter Walker, de-

signed the memorial glade. Its massive stone slabs were shaped by two craftsmen in Barre, Vermont.

"Today we are dedicating this memorial glade to all who became sick or died because of causes related to the attacks and to all the men and women who took part in the rescue and recovery effort that ended on this date 17 years ago," former Mayor Michael Bloomberg, the chairman of the National September 11 Memorial and Museum, told the hundreds gathered on the plaza for the ceremony.

"We have a duty to care for those who need it and to honor the memory of those who died. The memorial glade helps us to fulfill that duty," he said.

Caryn Pfeifer, whose husband, firefighter Ray Pfeifer, was an advocate for trade center responders before he died of cancer in 2017,

called the memorial glade "a beautiful place for our heroes."

Pfeifer said that after the 2001 terrorist attacks, her husband "spent the next nine months searching and digging at ground zero without being asked, without being told, and without thinking about the consequences. But there were consequences. There was illness and pain and death and for Ray that meant his guys and their families were in trouble." After the ceremony, attendees placed flowers and Mass cards on the stone slabs.

Freyda Markow, who said she volunteered at the trade center site with the Salvation Army and the Red Cross, wore photos of firefighters who died years after responding to the attacks around her neck.

"For them 9/11 was never over," Markow said. "It'll never be over." Many



John Stewart talks with Alice Greenwald, CEO of the National September 11 Memorial Museum, before the start of a dedication ceremony in New York, Thursday, May 30, 2019

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spent weeks working without proper respiratory protection as fires continued to burn and later developed respiratory and digestive-system ailments potentially linked to inhaled and swallowed dust. Over the years, more have been diagnosed with other illnesses including cancer.

Researchers continue to study whether there is a link between those illnesses

and toxins present during the cleanup. One study published last year found that overall mortality rates among rescue and recovery workers haven't been elevated. But researchers have raised concern about an unusual number of suicides among first responders and more deaths than expected from brain cancers and non-Hodgkin's lymphoma. □



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President Donald Trump talks with reporters before departing on Marine One for the Air Force Academy graduation ceremony, Thursday, May 30, 2019, in Washington.

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President Trump erupts after special counsel says he's not exonerated

By **DEB RIECHMANN**
Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Donald Trump angrily assailed special counsel Robert Mueller's motives on Thursday, a day after Mueller bluntly rebuffed Trump's repeated claims that the Russia investigation had cleared him of obstructing justice. The president also offered mixed messages on Russia's efforts to help him defeat Democrat Hillary Clinton in the 2016 campaign.

Early in the day, Trump tweeted he had "nothing to do with Russia helping me get elected."

That was the first time he seemed to acknowledge that Russia tried to help his campaign. Then on the White House South Lawn, Trump told reporters: "Russia did not help me get elected. You know who got me elected? You know who got me elected? I got me elected. Russia didn't help me at all."

Mueller's report said Russia interfered in the election in hopes of getting Trump elected, but his findings and intelligence officials have stopped short of saying the efforts contributed to Trump's victory. Trump's 20-minute eruption underscored that he remains deeply distressed over the probe that has shadowed his presidency for nearly two years, even after Mueller announced his resignation and the closure of his office. Democrats are mulling the possibility of impeachment proceedings.

Trump insisted that he's been tough on Russia and that Moscow would have preferred Clinton as president. But that's not what Russian President Vladimir Putin has said. When asked last year in Helsinki whether he wanted Trump to become president, Putin replied: "Yes, I did."

On Wednesday, Mueller, in his first public remarks on the Russia investigation, pointedly rejected Trump's claims — repeated almost

daily — that the special counsel's investigation cleared him of criminal activity and was a "witch hunt."

Mueller emphasized that he had not exonerated Trump on the question of whether he obstructed justice, but said charging Trump with any crime was "not an option" because of Justice Department rules. Attorney General William Barr, however, said Mueller could have reached a decision on whether Trump obstructed justice. Barr said in an interview with "CBS This Morning" that though Justice Department rules prevent the indictment of a sitting president, Mueller nonetheless could have decided whether Trump had committed a crime.

Trump repeated his baseless claims that Mueller is "conflicted," contending that Mueller, who served as FBI director under President George W. Bush, wanted his old job back, but that he had told him no. He said Mueller, a Republican, was "a true never Trumper" and "didn't get a job that he wanted very badly."

Mueller had been considered for the FBI director position shortly before being named as special counsel. But then-White House chief strategist Steve Bannon has said that while the White House had invited Mueller to speak to the president about the FBI and thought about asking him to become director again, Mueller did not come in looking for a job. □

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MARK SHERMAN**Associated Press****NEW YORK (AP)** — A Republican redistricting expert advocated for adding a citizenship question to the 2020 census to give an electoral edge to white people and Republicans, opponents of the move alleged in a court filing Thursday.

The filing in Manhattan federal court said a trove of newly discovered documents revealed that Thomas Hofeller, a longtime Republican gerrymandering guru, played a key role in pushing the Trump administration to include a citizenship question on the census for the first time since 1950. Lawyers for opponents of adding the question said the files, found on Hofeller's computer drives after he died last year, also showed that he contributed vital language to a Justice Department letter used to justify the question on the grounds that it was needed to protect minority voting rights.

In reality, the lawyers argued, the documents show the census change is part of a wider Republican effort to restrict the political power of Democrats and Latino communities.

"The new evidence reveals that Dr. Thomas Hofeller, the longtime Republican redistricting specialist, played a significant role in orchestrating the addition of the citizenship question to the 2020 Decennial Census in order to create a structural electoral advantage for, in his own words, 'Republicans and Non-Hispanic Whites,' and that defendants obscured his role through affirmative misrepresentations," the filing said.

The change, announced in



In this April 23, 2019 file photo, immigration activists rally outside the Supreme Court as the justices hear arguments over the Trump administration's plan to ask about citizenship on the 2020 census, in Washington.

spring 2018, seems poised for approval by the U.S. Supreme Court, which heard arguments in April and is likely to rule by July. It's not yet clear if the Hofeller documents might affect the pending case, though the American Civil Liberties Union apprised the high court of the latest developments Thursday in a letter signed by Dale Ho, director of the group's voting rights project and a lawyer who argued against adding the question before the top court.

States, cities and rights groups had sued in New York and elsewhere, arguing that the question would

suppress the count of immigrants and strengthen congressional representation and funding for areas where mostly Republicans reside. States with large numbers of immigrants tend to vote Democratic. Lawyers for President Donald Trump's administration say the commerce secretary has wide discretion to design the census questionnaire.

On Thursday, lawyers for groups including the ACLU said that the files show that a Justice Department official and a transition official for President Donald Trump testified falsely by hiding Hofeller's role in asking for

ments found after Hofeller's death last year revealed the administration's "goal was to dilute the voting power of minority communities. That's literally the diametric opposite of what the administration has been saying all along."

Furman gave the Justice Department until Monday to respond. An official with the department declined to comment on the record. Furman set a hearing in the case for June 5.

The Hofeller documents cited by lawyers were discovered when his estranged daughter found four external computer hard drives and 18 thumb drives in her father's Raleigh, North Carolina, home after his death last summer.

The New York Times reported that she contacted Common Cause, which had recently sued in state court to challenge North Carolina's legislative districts, which had been drawn by Hofeller. □

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the question. They asked U.S. District Judge Jesse M. Furman to issue sanctions or consider finding individuals in contempt.

Ho, of the ACLU, said docu-

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California approves wide power outages to prevent wildfires

By **DON THOMPSON**

Associated Press

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP)

— California regulators on Thursday approved allowing utilities to cut off electricity to possibly hundreds of thousands of customers to avoid catastrophic wildfires like the one sparked by power lines last year that killed 85 people and largely destroyed the city of Paradise.

Utilities' liability can reach billions of dollars, and after several years of devastating wildfires, they asked regulators to allow them to pull the plug when fire risk is extremely high. That's mainly during periods of excessive winds and low humidity when vegetation is dried out and can easily ignite.

The California Public Utilities Commission gave the green light but said utilities must do a better job educating and notifying the public, particularly those with disabilities and others who are vulnerable, and ramp up preventive efforts, such as clearing brush and installing fire-resistant poles. The plans could inconvenience hundreds of thousands of customers while endangering some who depend on electricity to keep them alive, like 56-year-old Kallithea Miller. Although she lives far from wildfire danger near a shopping mall in Stockton, south of Sacramento, she relies on a refrigerator to cool her insulin and a machine to keep her breath-



In this Nov. 9, 2018 file photo, Pacific Gas & Electric crews work to restore power lines in Paradise, Calif.

ing at night.

"I could die in my sleep," she said. "It's scaring the hell out of me."

The precautionary outages could mean multi-day blackouts for cities as large as San Francisco and San Jose, Northern California's major power provider warned in a recent filing with the utilities commission.

Pacific Gas & Electric anticipates cutting the power only in "truly extreme fire danger weather" while recognizing that there "are safety risks on both sides of this issue," vice president Aaron Johnson said.

PG&E initially planned to de-energize power lines in at-risk rural areas but has since expanded its plans to

include high-voltage transmission lines like the one that sparked the nation's deadliest wildfire in a century. The blaze last November killed 85 people while wiping out nearly 15,000

homes in and around Paradise.

"I know it inconveniences people, but it's a small price to pay for not having the kind of devastation that we had in Paradise," Mayor

Jody Jones said. "Everyone I know in Paradise knew that PG&E might cut the power off. I didn't see that as a problem. The problem was that they didn't actually shut it off."

Utility equipment has been blamed for many of California's most destructive and deadly wildfires in recent years.

Other major California utilities have similar plans that commissioners unanimously approved Thursday, also warning that outages could extend into cities under some conditions.

"We're worried about it because we could see people's power shut off not for a day or two but potentially a week," Gov. Gavin Newsom said as he recently called for California to spend \$75 million to help communities prepare. "This is high winds, severe weather, turn off the electricity so it doesn't ignite a fire. It's a good thing — unless you're impacted." □

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Is it 'molecules of freedom' or just natural gas?

By **The Associated Press**

It's hard to generate interest in a news release about liquefied natural gas exports, but a high-ranking Trump administration official succeeded by calling the stuff "molecules of U.S. freedom."

Words matter after all.

Earlier this week, the Energy Department announced it was approving more exports of liquefied natural gas from a Texas terminal on the Gulf Coast.

Assistant Energy Secretary Steven Winberg, who signed the order, said exporting the fuel is good for U.S. jobs and the economy and for the energy security of America's allies.

His agency is helping let "molecules of U.S. freedom to be exported to the world," he said.

Another Energy Department official, Mark Menezes, said expanding the Texas facility's export capacity "is critical to spreading



In this Tuesday, April 2, 2019, file photo, Miguel Cortillo gets a tanker of liquefied natural gas ready at Stablis Energy in George West, Texas, to transport it to Laredo.

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freedom gas throughout the world."

Some people went on Twitter to make fun of the colorful language, but environmentalists opposed to wider use of gas said it was no laughing matter.

"This is an absurd attempt to rebrand natural gas, and it shouldn't fool anyone," said Rachel Cleetus, a cli-

mate expert at the Union of Concerned Scientists. She said the Trump administration is exporting reliance on natural gas instead of promoting renewables such as solar and wind energy.

"Natural gas is still a fossil fuel," she said. "What the world desperately needs is freedom from runaway climate change." □

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Police confirm missing Utah girl's body has been found

By **LINDSAY WHITEHURST**
Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — A body found after a five-day search is that of a 5-year-old girl taken from her home and killed by her uncle, Utah police confirmed on Thursday. Elizabeth "Lizzy" Shelley's remains were located in a heavily wooded area less than a block from her home on Wednesday, but authorities could not immediately confirm it was her. Also Thursday, a 911 call released by Logan Police revealed the panic her parents felt moments after realizing she was missing. Detrich Black, the boyfriend of Shelley's mother Jessica Whipple, was calm but distraught as he reported the 5-year-old's disappearance. "My daughter is missing," he tells the

dispatcher. "We woke up and the front door is wide open."

The girl was reported missing Saturday morning, and officers spent five days combing the city set in a picturesque valley near the Idaho border about 80 miles (129 kilometers) north of Salt Lake City.

The body was found after the girl's 21-year-old uncle Alex Whipple gave his lawyer a map of where she was hidden. In exchange, prosecutors promised not to pursue the death penalty.

Whipple killed her Saturday after spending the night at his sister's house and hid the body under trees and brush, prosecutors have said. He was charged with aggravated murder, child kidnapping and other counts.

Defense attorney Shannon Demler has said his client did something inexcusable but wants the family to find closure. The child's blood was found on Whipple's watch and sweatshirt, authorities said, and his handprint was discovered on a

PVC pipe. Nearby was a broken knife taken from the family's kitchen bearing the blood of the girl.

Whipple has a criminal record that includes a 2016 assault, possession of a stolen vehicle and drug-related charges. □



In this Saturday, May 25, 2019 booking photo provided by Cache County Sheriff's Office shows Alex Whipple.

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Critics say FCC report overstates broadband availability

By **ANTHONY IZAGUIRRE**
Associated Press

CHARLESTON, W.Va. (AP) — The Federal Communications Commission's broadband report is being hammered by critics who say it paints too rosy a picture of high-speed internet availability in the U.S.

U.S. Sen. Joe Manchin of West Virginia joined two dissenting FCC commissioners in criticizing the report released Wednesday. The FCC's annual Broadband Deployment Report says the country's digital divide has "narrowed substantially," with the number of Americans without broadband dropping more than 18%, to 21.3 million people, between 2016 and 2017. The majority of the gains were for people living in rural parts of the country, according to the report. The agency's two Democratic commissioners issued dissenting statements along with the report that said it was at odds with the

reality of internet availability on the ground.

"This report deserves a failing grade," Commissioner Jessica Rosenworcel wrote. "It concludes that broadband deployment is reasonable and timely throughout the United States. This will come as news to millions and millions of Americans who lack access to high-speed service at home."

The FCC's data collection methods have been routinely labeled as flawed. The commission considers an entire area covered if a service provider reports that a single location on a census block has or could have fast internet speeds. Commissioner Geoffrey Starks wrote that the agency should change its data collection policies, pointing out that a draft version of the report was found to have overstated broadband connections in an area where about 62 million people live. □

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Spain decries UN working group's opinion on jailed Catalans

By ARITZ PARRA
JOSEPH WILSON
Associated Press

MADRID (AP) — The Spanish government has dismissed the conclusions of a panel of experts working under the United Nations umbrella that called for the release from custody three Catalan separatists on trial in Spain.

In a non-binding but politically damaging opinion published on Wednesday, the U.N. Working Group on Arbitrary Detention asked Spain to end the pre-trial jailing of Catalan regional vice president, Oriol Junqueras, and activists Jordi Sánchez and Jordi Cuixart. The working group said that the three, who were detained following Catalonia's 2017 secession attempt, were arbitrarily detained and their rights violated. It also suggested that they should receive compensation for their time behind bars and that Spain should investigate their detentions.

The working group is made up of five independent, non-paid experts appointed by the U.N.'s Human



A banner reading in Catalan: "Freedom political and exiled prisoners" hangs from the balcony of the Palau Generalitat, in Sant Jaume square in Barcelona, Spain, Monday, May 27, 2019.

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Rights Council based in Geneva. Though they are not U.N. staff, their opinions are meant to pressure governments but are often ignored.

However, the Spanish government slammed the report, saying the group's opinion failed to take into account the crimes said to have been committed as well as ignoring Spain's laws that ban referenda on the independence of a part of the country.

In a statement, the government raised "doubts" about the group's "independence and impar-

tiality" and called on the U.N. to make sure that its semi-independent working groups are not used "for spurious purposes."

The three Catalans are among a dozen separatist leaders on trial at Spain's Supreme Court on a number of charges, including rebellion, for their roles in disobeying a court ban and holding a prohibited independence referendum as well as making a subsequent independence declaration on Oct. 2017. With hearings in the ongoing televised trial set to end in mid-June, state prosecutors on Wednesday said they are upholding their proposed sentence of 25 years for Junqueras, with smaller proposed sentences for the other defendants. A sentence is not expect-

ed at least until September. The defendants have been in jail for more than 18 months and they have become a powerful symbol for separatists, who see their jailing as unfair.

Under Spanish law, suspects can be held in custody if they represent a flight risk, if the court believes they could commit possible further crimes, or if there is a risk they could destroy evidence.

Other leaders of the secession bid, including former Catalan regional president Carles Puigdemont, fled the country and are fugitives from Spain, while the current Catalan chief, Quim Torra, has promised to continue to push for independence.

Speaking on Wednesday after the report was published, Torra called the opinion "demolishing" for Spain and called the ongoing Supreme Court trial "a farce."

The opinion's release comes a day after the European Court of Human Rights rejected a suit brought by Catalan separatist lawmakers claiming that Spain's top court violated their rights when it ruled to suspend a regional parliamentary session to declare independence two years ago.

In that decision, the Euro-

pean court said that the decision by Spain's Constitutional Court's had not violated their rights since its action was "aimed at protecting the Constitutional order" and taken "in the interests of public safety (and) for the prevention of disorder."

Junqueras, Puigdemont and a former fellow member of the regional Cabinet, Toni Comín, were recently elected to the European Parliament, although they face legal hurdles to actually take their seats. Junqueras would need to get a temporary permit to get out of jail and pick up his lawmaker credential from Spain's Electoral Board.

Puigdemont and Comín face immediate arrest if they set foot on Spanish territory.

On Friday, both of them were banned from accessing the European chamber's building in Brussels to pick up temporary accreditations that are being handed out to other elected lawmakers.

A spokesman at the bloc's parliament said officials can decide not to hand out the temporary badges on an individual basis until the EU's member states submit their respective official lists of elected deputies, clarifying the situation for those in doubt. □

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Ukrainian parliament defies new president, keeps Cabinet



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KIEV, Ukraine (AP) — Ukrainian lawmakers on Thursday refused to accept the Cabinet's resignation, in another snub to the nation's newly sworn-in president. Volodymyr Zelenskiy, the comedian who won a landslide victory in last month's presidential election, faces a hostile parliament dominated by former President Petro Poroshenko's supporters.

Zelenskiy called snap parliamentary elections for July 21 in a bid to get more of his supporters into parliament. In anticipation of that, lawmakers have sought to block the president's ef-

orts to form a more loyal Cabinet. The Verkhovna Rada refused on Thursday to accept the resignation of Prime Minister Volodymyr Groysman, keeping his Cabinet in place.

That vote follows the parliament turning down a proposal by Zelenskiy to amend the electoral law last week. Despite the Rada's resistance, Zelenskiy on Thursday asked parliament to dismiss three top Poroshenko loyalists — Foreign Minister Pavlo Klimkin, Defense Minister Stepan Poltorak and SBU Security service chief Vasyl Gritsak. A date has not yet been set for a vote. □



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New Zealand's 1st 'well-being budget' targets mental health

By NICK PERRY

Associated Press

WELLINGTON, New Zealand

(AP) — New Zealand's government announced Thursday it will spend billions of dollars more on mental health services and combatting child poverty as part of a new approach to its finances. The liberal-led government unveiled the country's first so-called well-being budget. It aims to measure social outcomes like health and the environment alongside traditional metrics such as economic growth. The new approach has been lauded by some internationally but criticized by the conservative opposition as meaningless window-dressing.

The budget was the first since a gunman killed 51 people at two Christchurch mosques in March, and it included money for a gun buyback scheme after the government introduced new laws banning the



New Zealand's Finance Minister Grant Robertson talks to reporters and analysts about the budget on Thursday, May 30, 2019, in Wellington, New Zealand.

types of semi-automatic weapons often used in mass shootings.

The budget also increased funding for the nation's intelligence agencies, which

didn't identify the man accused of the slaughter as a potential threat.

Overall, new spending was up significantly on previous forecasts. But while govern-

ment borrowing was forecast to rise, the net debt was expected to stay at about 20% of GDP as the size of the economy also expanded.

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Finance Minister Grant Robertson said the increased spending was worth the extra debt and would help stimulate the economy as global economic growth slowed. "The old way of doing things has left too many people behind," Robertson said. "New Zealanders want us to measure our success, and invest on their behalf, in line with their values. The values of fairness, the protection of the environment, the strength of our communities."

Under the budget, spending on mental health will increase by 1.9 billion New Zealand dollars (\$1.2 billion) over the next four years. Part of that will include extra money for suicide prevention services as the country tries to tackle its high suicide rate.

"One death from suicide is one death too many, and the effects of each suicide on friends and family is devastating," Robertson said. □

Polish advocate for church victims resigns in scandal



In this Oct. 8, 2018 file photo Marek Lisinski left, sits with activist Agata Diduszko-Zyglewska, center, and opposition lawmaker Joanna Scheuring-Wielgus during a meeting that demanded strict criminal punishment for pedophile priests at the parliament in Warsaw, Poland.

Associated Press

By MONIKA SCISLOWSKA

Associated Press

WARSAW, Poland (AP) —

The founder and head of a Polish organization dedicated to helping victims of clerical sex abuse has resigned following a reports that a victim believes he had cheated her for money and that he demanded money from the producers of a documentary about clerical abuse. The foundation "Have No Fear" said the head of its board, Marek Lisinski, resigned and that it has opened an

internal audit into the allegations reported Thursday by the Gazeta Wyborcza daily. "This came as a great shock to us," said board member and lawmaker Joanna Scheuring-Wielgus. She did not want to comment before the results of the audit are known.

In a post on Facebook, Lisinski denied the allegations, saying he "never swindled" anyone and insisted that he only borrowed money and intended to return it in December. "The good of the survivors has always

been the supreme goal for me," Lisinski wrote. Lisinski, who says he was abused by a priest when he was 13, played a key role in forcing the public in predominantly Catholic Poland to confront the problem of clerical abuse by forming the foundation five years ago. Pope Francis kissed Lisinski's hand during a landmark meeting with abuse victims in February at the Vatican. He was part of a group that gave Francis a report on child sex abuse by priests in Poland. □

Syrian boy survives bombing that killed his mother, siblings

By SARAH EL DEEB

Associated Press

BEIRUT (AP) — A 13-year-old boy emerged with a bloodied arm and swollen red eyes from under the rubble to the cries of rescue workers. He didn't yet know that his mother and two siblings were dead — killed by bombs that opposition activists said were dropped by Syrian government warplanes on a residential building Thursday in the last rebel stronghold in Syria. The bombings pancaked the building in Maaret al-Numan, a town in southern Idlib province, and killed at least five, including three members of the Qasheet family.

Fighting has raged in Idlib and surrounding areas since April 30, when Syrian troops supported by airstrikes entered the overcrowded enclave. The area stands in Syrian President Bashar Assad's way as he seeks a final victory against armed government opposition after eight years of civil war.

The U.N. children's agency said more than 130 children have reportedly been killed over the last month and nearly 30 hospitals came



This photo provided by the Syrian Civil Defense White Helmets, which has been authenticated based on its contents and other AP reporting, shows Civil Defense workers searching for victims under the rubble of a destroyed building after an airstrike by Syrian government forces, Maaret al-Numan, a town in south Idlib, Syria, Thursday, May 30, 2019.

under attack. UNICEF warned that the escalating violence is putting the lives of tens of thousands of children in danger.

The agency said that children who bear "no responsibility" for the war suffer more than anyone. The emergency relief efforts are "quick fixes that can go only so far in mitigating the humanitarian fallout from

UN extends arms embargo, sanctions against South Sudan

Video shot by the Syrian Civil Defense showed volunteers working to pull bodies and survivors from under the collapsed building in Maaret al-Numan.

The volunteers from the group known as the White Helmets pulled away cement blocks to reach the lifeless body of a 14-year-

old boy. His father, standing behind the camera, wept, repeating his son's name, Abboudi, as rescuers mulled how to lift the heavy structure. A large bulldozer stood nearby. In a bright blue shirt, Abboudi was face down, squeezed between two large cement blocks and there was a pool of blood under his nose.

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Amid the frenzy, a younger boy emerged from a gap in the rubble with swollen red eyes, dusty hair and body, his shirt barely hanging onto his torso. It was Abboudi's younger brother, Hakam, just a few meters (yards) from his brother's smashed body. Rescuers cheered and walked Hakam Qasheet out of the area. His mother and another sibling, a girl, were also killed under the rubble. Activist-operated Baladi News agency reported five people were killed in the strike.

The rebel stronghold is home to some 3 million people. Bombs and shells rained on the crowded enclave, sending tens of thousands of civilians fleeing to safer areas in the north.

The U.N. has warned its humanitarian operations in the region are at risk.

UNICEF said its partners in Idlib had to suspend their operations while 43,000 children have had to leave school. Final exams for the academic year were postponed in many parts of the rebel-held enclave, affecting the education of 400,000 students living there, it said. □

UN extends arms embargo, sanctions against South Sudan

By EDITH M. LEDERER

Associated Press

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — The U.N. Security Council approved a resolution Thursday extending an arms embargo and other sanctions against South Sudan over objections from African nations, Russia and China that the measure won't help promote peace.

The U.S.-sponsored resolution received 10 "yes" votes — one more than the minimum required for adoption — and five abstentions from South Africa, Ivory Coast, Equatorial Guinea, Russia and China.

A fragile peace deal to end a five-year civil war that killed nearly 400,000 people was signed in September. But the committee overseeing its implementation says key elements have yet to be put in place.



South Sudan President Salva Kiir arrives for the swearing-in ceremony of Cyril Ramaphosa at Loftus Versfeld stadium in Pretoria, South Africa, Saturday May 25, 2019.

South Sudan had faced a May 12 deadline for opposition leader Riek Machar to return to the country and once again become President Salva Kiir's deputy. It is the crucial next step in implementing the peace deal, but both South Sudan's government and

Machar's opposition requested a six-month extension, which regional ministers approved earlier this month.

Acting U.S. Ambassador Jonathan Cohen expressed disappointment at the lack of African support for renewing the sanctions,

stressing that "if there is to be any chance for lasting peace in South Sudan we must stop the flow of weapons used to fuel conflict and terrorize civilians."

He said the Trump administration wants to support African bodies taking leading roles in resolving disputes and conflicts on the continent but "support for this expanded role is difficult to envision if countries in the region are unwilling to support measures that incentivize warring parties to choose peace over war."

South Africa's U.N. Ambassador Jerry Matjila told the council that the regional group IGAD, which has been leading peace efforts in South Sudan along with the African Union, "continues to assert that sanctions are not useful to the political process."

Although progress toward peace has been slow, he said there is a reduction in "political violence" and efforts are under way to implement the September agreement.

Equatorial Guinea's U.N. Ambassador Anatolio Ndong Mba added that sanctions "are not the right ingredient to motivate those involved to further their efforts to achieve peace."

Russia's deputy U.N. ambassador Dmitry Polyansky told the council: "We do not share the view that this progress in the South Sudanese settlement was helped by the strengthening last July of sanctions pressure and the introduction of an arms embargo." He credited regional mediators for the peace deal and progress so far. □



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7 dead, 21 missing after SKorean tour boat sinks in Hungary

By PABLO GORONDI
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Associated Press

BUDAPEST, Hungary (AP)

— Rescue workers scoured the Danube River in downtown Budapest Thursday for 21 people missing after a sightseeing boat carrying South Korean tourists sank in a matter of seconds after colliding with a larger cruise ship during an evening downpour.

Seven people are confirmed dead and seven were rescued, Hungarian officials said. Police launched a criminal investigation into the incident.

The South Korea-based Very Good Tour agency, which organized the trip, said the boat had been on its way back after an hour-long night tour on Wednesday evening when the accident happened.

Nineteen South Koreans and two Hungarian crew members are missing. The tour party had consisted of 30 tourists, two guides and a photographer on a package tour of Europe. Pal Györfi, spokesman for the National Ambulance Service, said those rescued were hospitalized in stable condition.

The sunken boat was located early Thursday near the Margit Bridge, not far from the neo-Gothic Parliament building on the riverbank.

Police Col. Adrian Pal said the boat turned on its side and sank in about seven seconds. He said that rescue operations were hampered by the rain and the fast flow of the rising Danube. The search for the 21 missing extended far downstream, even into Serbia, where the Danube goes after leaving Hungary.

The river, which is 450 meters (500 yards) wide at the point of the accident, was fast-flowing and rising



A rescue boat searches for survivors on the River Danube in Budapest, Hungary, Thursday, May 30, 2019.

as heavy rain continued in the city. Water temperatures were about 10 to 12 degrees Celsius (50-53 degrees Fahrenheit).

Earlier, the news website Index.hu said one of those rescued was found near the Petöfi Bridge, which is about 3 kilometers (2 miles) south of Parliament.

Dozens of rescue personnel, including from the military and divers, were involved in the search. Employees from the South Korean Embassy in Budapest were assisting Hungarian officials in identifying those rescued and the deceased.

South Korean President Moon Jae-in instructed officials to employ "all available resources" to support the rescue efforts in Hungary. Moon's spokeswoman, Ko Min-jung, said in Seoul that Moon also ordered the launch of a government task force led by Foreign Minister Kang Kyung-wha and for officials to maintain close communication with the family members of the South Korean passengers.

A team of South Korean officials left for Hungary on

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Thursday to assist with the rescue operations and support passengers and their families. Kang was also to travel to Hungary.

The Very Good Tour agency said the tourists left South Korea on May 25 and were supposed to return June 1. Most of them were family groups, and they included a 6-year-old girl. Her status wasn't immediately clear but she didn't appear on a list of survivors provided by the tour agency.

Senior agency official Lee Sang-moo disclosed the identities of the seven rescued South Koreans — six women and one man, aged between 31 and 66. The company is arranging for family members of the tourists to travel to Hungary as soon as possible. □

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Brazil officials admit knowing prison clash was 'imminent'

By **DIANE JEANTET**
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Associated Press

MANAUS, Brazil (AP) — Brazilian families on Thursday buried victims of prison riots that left 55 inmates dead, as authorities confirmed they had received warnings of an "imminent confrontation" days before clashes in the northern state of Amazonas began. Dozens of relatives could be seen grieving, crying and sometimes fainting at a cemetery in the capital city of Manaus as coffins were lowered in the rust-colored earth.

"He really wanted to come out (of prison), turn his life around," said a tearful Tiará, whose ex-husband was killed in the violence. She declined to share her last name out of fear of reprisal. The riots have led to renewed calls for better prisons, providing another challenge to the administration of far-right President Jair Bolsonaro, which has pledged to clean up Brazil's festering jails as part of a broader crime-fighting agenda.

Adding to the anger and frustration, state prison authorities said they implemented a contingency plan on May 23, transferring some prisoners who appeared to be at risk at



Relatives carry the coffin that contain the remains of 25-year-old William de Souza, an inmate who was killed in the recent prison riots, to a burial site in Manaus, Brazil, Thursday, May 30, 2019.

the Mens' Provisional Detention Centre 1 in Manaus to another facility. Still, five inmates were killed in that prison Monday.

"There's no way you can identify the ideal moment or exact moment when any event will happen," said state prison secretary Vinicius Almeida on Wednesday. "Intelligence data is not a crystal ball."

The Rev. Joao Poli, who has been visiting inmates inside the state's prisons for nearly a decade, said the government's lack of consid-

eration for family members reflected the way prisoners are treated inside the penitentiaries.

"The exploitation of prisoners is dramatic," Poli, an Italian native, told The Associated Press.

The priest also criticized privatizations in the Amazonas prison system.

All four prisons where the killings took place Sunday and Monday were run under a public-private partnership with Brazilian company Umanizzare, according to the state prison

secretary.

Umanizzare said the state remains responsible for security inside the facilities and the company is in charge of nearly everything else, from food to maintenance, medical attention and utilities.

Severe overcrowding remains a key issue.

"More prisoners, more money," Poli said, noting that he once saw over 30 people packed in a cell with eight mattresses at a prison in a remote area of Amazonas state. In many

of Brazil's prisons, badly outnumbered guards struggle to retain power over an ever-growing population of inmates who often run criminal schemes from behind bars.

The country's penitentiary system has an official capacity of 368,000, but roughly double that number — 726,000 — are incarcerated, according to official data from 2016. In Amazonas state, 11,390 inmates occupy prisons built to hold 2,354.

"It is absolutely necessary to build new prisons," said Claudio Lamachia, who was chairman of Brazil's bar association until the end of last year. "It's a way of investing in public security."

Lamachia, who has regularly visited prisons across Brazil, said it is not uncommon for prisoners to spend several days in police cars waiting for a space to become available.

"Prisons today are a time bomb. Tragedies waiting to happen," the lawyer said.

In January 2017, more than 120 inmates died when Brazil's First Capital Command clashed with the rival Family of the North gang over control of drug-trafficking routes in northern states. The violence lasted several weeks, spreading to various states. □

Argentina anti-austerity strike halts flights, trains, buses

By **ALMUDENA CALATRAVA**
Associated Press

BUENOS AIRES, Argentina (AP) — Much of Argentina came to a standstill Wednesday as a strike to protest government austerity measures grounded hundreds of flights, halted bus and train lines and forced the closing of banks, courts and many schools. The country's main grain ports were also shut and hospitals offered only emergency services during the 24-hour strike organized by labor unions to protest the policies of President Mauricio Macri. Those include the firing of workers and the slashing of government subsidies that have shot up the costs of transportation



Police keep protesters from blocking a road bridge, which would completely halt transit at this spot, during a general strike against austerity measures implemented by Mauricio Macri's government in Buenos Aires, Argentina, Wednesday, May 29, 2019.

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and utility rates. Argentines are also fed up with a stubborn recession, a devalu-

ation of the currency and one of the world's highest inflation rates.

Macri will seek re-election in October and center-left former president Cristina Fernández will try to return to power running as vice president on the ticket with her former chief of staff, Alberto Fernández.

Many workers stayed home Wednesday because subway lines were closed.

Authorities estimated that about 330 flights from the country's flagship carrier, Aerolineas Argentinas, were cancelled and some 37,000 passengers were affected by the walkout, which also forced the "Recopa" final between soccer clubs River Plate and Brazil's Atletico Paranaense to be postponed to Thursday.

Union leaders said it was the largest strike that they had organized since Macri took office in 2015 promising to end poverty and tame high consumer prices. They say government policies have led to the closing of some 14,000 small and mid-size companies while Argentines continue to lose purchasing power to an "alarming" inflation rate of about 50 percent a year. Unions and left-leaning organizations cut some roads leading into the capital city and distributed food to show what they say is increasing hunger.

"We're sick of the low salaries, the halt of activity in the industry," said unionist Rubén García. □

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Commercialized Music Festivals on Aruba: Do or Don't?



MAASTRICHT – Last week the organizers of the Caribbean Sea Jazz Festival announced that one of the oldest music festivals on the island is canceled this year due to reduced funding stemmed from unmet targets as stated in the contract between the organizing committee and the Aruba Tourism Authority (ATA). This raised a lot of opinions on social media and a critical discourse in the community on how these festivals on the island are funded and to what degree they contribute economically to Aruba. However, with the recent success of the Soul Beach Music Festival this last weekend, it is clear that commercialized music festivals have been evolving greatly in the past two decades on Aruba. In today's column, I will discuss the relationship between the Cultural and Creative Industry (CCI) and the remaining economy to understand economic value of cultural activities, and I will dig deeper into the impact of tourism-based commercialized music festivals on the economy, aimed on Small Island Developing States (SIDS).

When it comes to the dynamic relationship between the creative industries and the rest of the economy, Potts and Cunningham (2010) argue for four models to answer this mystery amongst economists and professionals in the creative industry: namely (1) welfare model, where the whole economy drives CCI through transfers of resources; (2) competition model, where the CCI is just another industry; (3) growth model, where the CCI drives the whole economy through high rates of growth; and (4) innovation model, where the CCI helps the whole economy evolve through transfers of knowledge. Each of these possibilities is related to a very different policy model: in (1) a welfare subsidy is required; in (2), standard industry policy; in (3), investment and growth policy; and in (4), innovation policy. We know that the Minister of Economic Affairs, Finance and Culture of Aruba, Mr. Xiomara Ruiz-Maduro recently presented Aruba's Economic Policy, which includes 6 prospective industries for diversification of the Aruban economy. These include; Tourism Industry, Knowledge Economy, Logistics, Agriculture, Circular Economy and Creative Industries. After analysis of the economic policy, it can be considered a standard industry policy, in this case 6 industries in one. This means, that the Aruban government is aiming towards a competition model, rather than a welfare, growth or innovation model. In this case, according to the authors a CCI "should properly require the same policy treatment as other industries. The creative industries, in this view, are just another member of the industrial community, and they should rightfully then demand neither more nor less "assistance" than that due to others. Recognition of normal existence is sufficient and "significance" is immaterial" (p. 169). The results of the research indicate a preference for models 3 and 4, however models 2 and 3 propose a more consistent treatment of the CCI, while models 1 and 4 require more public intervention.

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When it comes to commercialized Music Festivals, according to Croes, Semrad & Rivera (2016) in the paper; The Relevance and Value of Music Festivals as Relational Goods in SIDS, aims to report on efforts from both Aruba (Aruba Soul Beach Music Festival) and Curacao (Curaçao North Sea Jazz Festival) in terms on event management, event quality, event attendance, audience satisfaction, and overall contribution to the island's economies. This paper highlights the fact that destinations in the Caribbean region are continuously trying to diversify and become unique. In this sense, cultural activities such as music festivals play have been a pivotal strategic move in marketing these SIDS as relaxing, entertaining and one of a

kind experience. What we can learn from this research report is that:

1. "Much of the international tourists indicated that their primary reason for travel to the island was the music festival they attended.
2. It seems that music festivals in SIDS have become an attractive attraction on itself and demonstrate the ability to produce the attention from profitable market segments that are both local and international.
3. The international tourist event attendees were arriving from included: the Netherlands, Suriname, and the USA.
4. The music festival attendees who were tourists were more affluent, highly educated, stayed in hotels, and demonstrated the interest to consume not only the music festival as an experiential good but also

the experience of the SIDS themselves.

5. Comparison between the music festival international tourist event attendee and the typical tourist to the destinations revealed that neither of these market segments spend their money on tours and shopping as a primary or secondary consumption activity.
6. The music festival international tourist possessed more favorable demographic profiles and characteristics than that of the typical tourist in that they were much more educated, made more money, spent more money while on the island, and stayed in the local hotels.
7. The overall marketing, advertising, and promotional efforts used to generate tourist arrivals to SIDS may not be effectively reaching the appropriate potential tourists that would

arrive and maximize the consumption of the islands' experience. If SIDS tourism marketing, advertising, and promotional efforts are not reaching the most lucrative and viable market segments than such efforts may be incurring wasted or high opportunity costs.

8. These tourists were interested and committed to experiencing not only the festival but also the SIDS they were visiting. This indication is supported via the results of the economic Input Output (I-O) model.

9. It was revealed through the survey assessment and the I-O model that not only did the international tourist event attendee make more money they also spent more money while visiting the island" (p. 1 – 5).

Clearly between these two papers, we can confirm that a CCI does have economic value within a community, especially when it is connected to the Tourism Industry. The success of these types of festivals on the island depend on more factors than discussed today, but the role of the government, private

sector, NGOs and community remain important in this discussion because it will determine the economic dynamic of the industry within the entire economic sphere. Studies show that these commercialized music festivals do bring economic gain, now it is the job of all stakeholders involved to make sure that effective strategic plans are there to set Aruba apart from other SIDSs in the region and to avoid losses like the Caribbean Sea Jazz Festival.

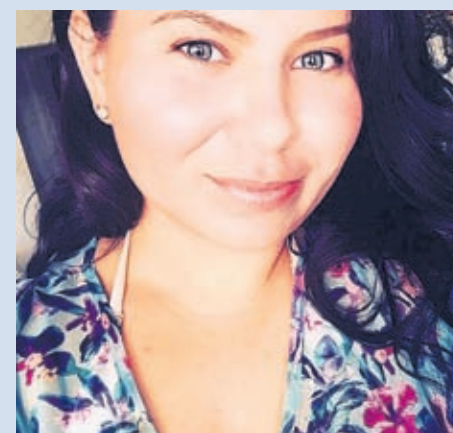
Personally, I would like to see the CCI within the Innovation Model considering the Aruban government's aim of innovating and creating sustainable development and the deep linkages the CCI has with the other economies. Having an industry policy will not help Aruba catalyze growth and innovation as is desired.

We can't innovate our economies, if we are not going to innovate the way we make policies, the way we interact within the economy, the way we are used to invest, and the way we are used to consume. □

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A Review of Memorial Day on Eagle Beach



EAGLE BEACH — On Memorial Day morning in 2002 four US armed forces veterans, their friends and families gathered on Eagle Beach at Costa Linda. The purpose of the gathering was to honor all those who had paid the ultimate sacrifice in the service of their country. The simple ceremony has since become an annual event and has welcomed veterans from all nations to take part.

The organization is pleased to say that since that first ceremony participation has indeed increased significantly. From the beginning they have attempted to keep the ceremony simple, solemn, and apolitical. "We've kept it solemn for obvious reasons, simple because of the ages of some of our vets who might find it difficult to stand in the sun too long, and apolitical because we were/are all visitors in Aruba and understood that the raising of the American flag or the singing or playing of the Stars Spangled banner might offend some island residents." They also soon realized that the event had attracted veterans from other nations – Holland, Aruba, and South Africa to mention a few. So in fairness to all, they thought that large national banners and anthems would be inappropriate. "However, we encourage participants to wear any uniforms or national symbols they wish to wear."

The poem *We Stand by the Sea* (anonymous) was read as a memorial wreath of flowers was placed in the surf. There was a reading of a verse from *The Fallen* by R.L. Binyon followed by the playing of Taps and the presentation of arms by the Detail. The organization is grateful to all that were present and the Costa Linda Beach Resort for their continuous support. □



SPORTS



St. Louis Blues' Robert Bortuzzo (41) tangles with Boston Bruins' Joakim Nordstrom (20), of Sweden, during the second period in Game 2 of the NHL hockey Stanley Cup Final, Wednesday, May 29, 2019, in Boston.

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Hate builds up between Blues, Bruins in Stanley Cup Final

By STEPHEN WHYNO
AP Hockey Writer

BOSTON (AP) — There was blood in Game 2 of the Stanley Cup Final. And a possible head injury. And plenty of fresh bumps and bruises. The best-of-seven series between the Boston Bruins and St. Louis Blues has turned decidedly nasty, and it only took two games. If that.

Connor Clifton bloodied the Blues' Tyler Bozak with a high stick, Oskar Sundqvist knocked the Bruins' Matt Grzelcyk out of the game by ramming him into the glass and Robert Bortuzzo slashed Boston's Jake DeBrusk between padding on his left arm before a faceoff, leaving him doubled over in pain. Former Blues captain David Backes crushed Sammy Blais with an open-ice hit just two nights after helmetless Torey Krug skated down the ice and leveled the Blues' Robert Thomas with a body check. Thomas hasn't played since.

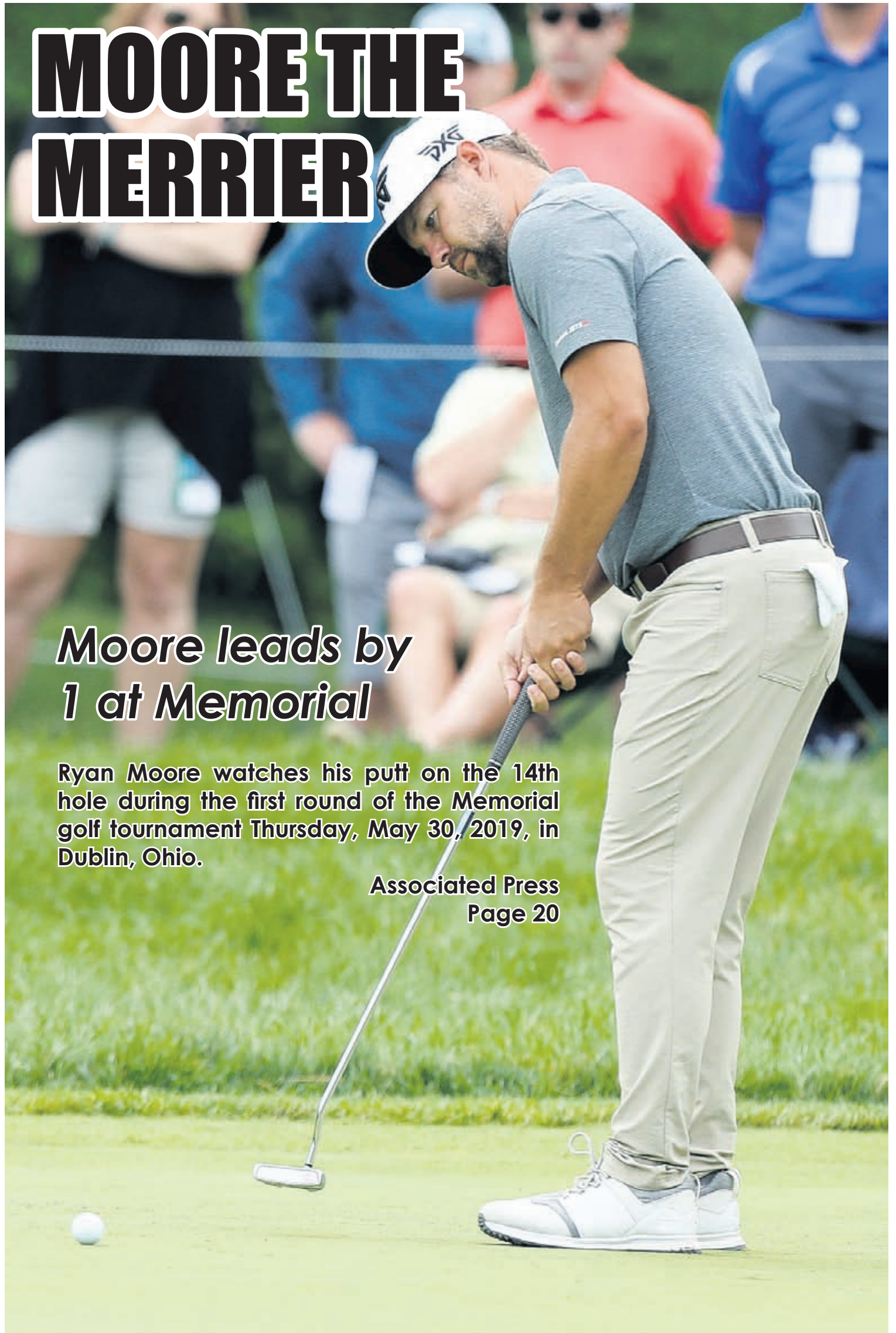
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Moore leads by 1 at Memorial

Ryan Moore watches his putt on the 14th hole during the first round of the Memorial golf tournament Thursday, May 30, 2019, in Dublin, Ohio.

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All's well that ends well for No. 1 Osaka at French Open

By **HOWARD FENDRICH**
AP Tennis Writer

PARIS (AP) — Naomi Osaka screamed "Oh, my God!" after one shanked shot. Mouthed something and clasped her hands together, as if praying, after another. There were plenty of deep sighs and exaggerated eyerolls, too.

The No. 1-seeded Osaka got off to a terrible start at the French Open again, never masking her frustration. After some slip-ups near the end, Osaka also prevailed again, displaying the grit and groundstrokes that just won't let her lose during what's become a 16-match Grand Slam winning streak.

Osaka trailed by a set and a break Thursday against former No. 1 Victoria Azarenka in the second round at Roland Garros, before coming all the way back to win an entertaining match-up 4-6, 7-5, 6-3 and prolong her bid for a third consecutive major championship. "I have this mindset that I feel like I can win if it gets down to the wire. Like, if I have to break a person, I feel like I have the ability to do that," Osaka said. "So I probably shouldn't wait un-



Japan's Naomi Osaka plays a shot against Victoria Azarenka of Belarus during their second round match of the French Open tennis tournament at the Roland Garros stadium in Paris, Thursday, May 30, 2019.

til the last minute."

Probably.

In the first round, Osaka not only dropped the opening set, but did so by a 6-0 score.

This time, Osaka ceded the first four games against Azarenka and was responsible for their match's initial seven unforced errors.

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"Technically, like, she kind of killed me in the first set," Osaka said, "and I just kept trying to find a way to stay positive."

Defending champion Simona Halep required that same sort of resolve to get through her own test, blowing a big lead in the second set and a trio of match

points before holding on to beat 87th-ranked Magda Linette 6-4, 5-7, 6-3.

Halep, who said afterward she felt a "little bit sick" and plans to "sleep all day tomorrow," was up a set and 5-3 in the second before dropping four games in a row and getting broken twice while serving for the match.

Neither Osaka nor Halep managed to put on the sort of solid performance seen from Serena Williams — barely bothered during a 6-3, 6-2 victory over qualifier Kurumi Nara — or top-seeded man Novak Djokovic, also a straight-set winners.

Azarenka sought to control points with deep, attacking strokes and by going after Osaka's backhand side.

"I played very smart. I really played the right spots," Azarenka said. "I was doing everything that I was supposed to do. And, especially, moving well and pushing her back."

Azarenka knows a thing or two about how to perform on the sport's biggest stages: She won two titles at the Australian Open, reached two finals at the U.S. Open and was a semifinalist at

both Wimbledon and, back in 2013, the French Open.

She is currently ranked 43rd, though, on account of missing time over the past few seasons while pregnant and then dealing with a custody issue involving her son.

So what, in terms of talent and tenacity, could have passed for a late-in-the-proceedings showdown at a major was held, instead, in Week 1, with the temperature barely above 60 degrees Fahrenheit (15 Celsius) and the occasional raindrop.

When Azarenka sprinted for a cross-court forehand winner that closed a 15-stroke exchange, she led 4-2 in the second set after 77 minutes.

They would play for more than 1½ additional hours, and Azarenka certainly had opportunities to edge even farther ahead, such as when she had a break point to go up 5-2 and serve for the victory but netted a forehand. Or the three times she was one point from leading 5-3 but got broken there with her second double-fault of the game. □

Cima gets 1st pro win on Stage 18; Carapaz keeps Giro lead

SANTA MARIA DI SALA, Italy (AP) — Damiano Cima of Italy earned his first professional victory by winning the 18th stage of the Giro d'Italia on Thursday, and Ecuadorian cyclist Richard Carapaz remained in the overall lead.

Cima, who rides for Nippo-Vini Fantini-Faizane, had been part of a three-man breakaway which was caught by the peloton in the final meters of the mainly downhill, 222-kilometer (138-mile) route from Valdaora to Santa Maria di Sala.

However, the 25-year-old Cima held on in the bunch sprint to get his team's first ever Giro victory, in his first Grand Tour.

"I can't believe what just happened," Cima said. "I've spent so many kilome-



Italy's Damiano Cima celebrates after sprinting ahead of Germany's Pascal Ackermann, left, on the finish line to win the 18th stage of the Giro d'Italia cycling race, from Valdaora to Santa Maria di Sala, Thursday, May 30, 2019.

ters in breakaways during this Giro. I thought I'd never make it but I've won today. It's insane. It's the dream of a lifetime."

Pascal Ackermann was

second, with Simone Consonni third. Ackermann, who was bidding for a third stage victory in this year's race, hit his handlebars in frustration as he was

pipped to the line by Cima. "For sure I'm a little disappointed I did not win," Ackermann said. "If you saw how the breakaway went, for sure he's a lucky

winner today. He was the strongest today. They were fighting really hard against our team when they were pulling."

Carapaz remained 1 minute, 54 seconds ahead of Vincenzo Nibali and 2:16 ahead of Primož Roglič of Slovenia.

"It's been a quiet stage but a long one, intense at the beginning only," said Carapaz, who rides for Movistar. "I've had a good support from my team again. Tomorrow will be an important test but I'm confident to keep the Maglia Rosa."

The Giro heads back into the mountains for Friday's 19th stage, a 151-kilometer route from Treviso, with an uphill finish to San Martino di Castrozza.

The three-week race finishes in Verona on Sunday. □

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The NHL has consistently emphasized skill and speed of late but sometimes you can steamroll your way to a playoff victory, which the Blues did 3-2 in overtime Wednesday night to tie the series at a game apiece. The league still sells hatred, and it didn't take long for that to build up between these heavy-hitting teams. "They're aggressive, they're big, they hit well and we're a big team and we hit, so there's going to be a lot of chirping, a lot of hitting going, a lot of scrums," St. Louis forward Patrick Maroon said.

At the moment, it is advantage St. Louis. The Blues outhustled the Bruins and delivered more blows in grabbing home-ice advantage with Game 3 coming up Saturday night in St. Louis.

"I think we've been doing that all playoffs, no? It's just our style," Sundqvist said. "That's how we play and when we do it, we're good, we're winning pucks back and we're creating offense. That's part of our game."

Knowing that, Backes said the Bruins want to "match physicality, stare them in the eyes and go right through it when they're trying to amp that up and have an answer at times when we have the opportunity to be physical on their guys."

St. Louis was credited with 49 hits in a game filled with aches and pains. Sundqvist's hit on Grzelcyk drew a boarding penalty and the Boston defenseman needed help to get off the ice. Blais and Jaden Schwartz also each ran into goaltender Tuukka Rask and both were whistled for interference.

"We can't let them push us around," Bruins defenseman Brandon Carlo said. "We can't retaliate after the whistle. They were right on top of us. We kind of felt like whenever we turned around to move up the ice, they were right there, doing a good job with their sticks and playing a little

bit more physical than we were."

The Bruins weren't shrinking violets, though. Featuring a blue line with four players 6 feet tall or shorter, Charlie McAvoy was throwing the body like someone not afraid to hit above his weight class.

The hits continued to take their toll. The Blues were already without Thomas and defenseman Vince Dunn, and top-line winger Vladimir Tarasenko missed a big chunk of the second period. Bozak went down the tunnel to close the stick-induced cut on his face but returned not long after.

Bozak was no worse for the wear. Just part of the cost of doing business.

The same couldn't be said for Grzelcyk, who went to



Boston Bruins' Torey Krug, top, checks St. Louis Blues' Robert Thomas to the ice during the third period in Game 1 of the NHL hockey Stanley Cup Final, Monday, May 27, 2019, in Boston.

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a hospital for tests. Boston, down to five defenseman, appeared to tire late.

"It's a long series," Blues

defenseman Colton Paryko said. "Obviously they went down a D-man and when you have five D-men and

you continue to press and press and press, it's hard for the D-men. I thought we did a good job of continuing to do that.

The Pittsburgh Penguins and Chicago Blackhawks sped their way to the Stanley Cup in recent years. The Blues are looking to follow in the heavy tracks of the champion Los Angeles Kings and Washington Capitals, who pounded their opponents on the way to the title.

After earning the first playoff victory in franchise history by turning the Bruins black and blue, the Blues found a recipe that could lead to the first championship.

"We've just got to continue hitting," Maroon said. "That's our team." □

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Moore's 65 leads by 1 at Memorial as Woods rallies for 70

By **DOUG FERGUSON**

AP Golf Writer

DUBLIN, Ohio (AP) — Tiger Woods got off to a slower start than he would have liked Thursday at the Memorial.

That had more to do with a stopwatch than a scorecard.

Ryan Moore opened with five birdies in seven holes and never missed a fairway after the first one, posting a 7-under 65 for his best start in his 14th appearance at Muirfield Village. He was one shot ahead of Jordan Spieth, who chipped in for birdie, chipped in for par and holed a 35-foot eagle putt.

Woods made a pair of late birdies to salvage a 70 in his first round since missing the cut at the PGA Championship. He played his back nine in a foursome with Bryson DeChambeau, Justin Rose and a rules official in a cart timing them because they were so far out of position.

"We were on the clock most of the back nine," Woods said. "That made things a little more complicated."

Getting caught up wasn't easy with various tee shots in water hazards, though it was obvious how far behind they were. Spieth, Rory McIlroy and Justin Thomas were in the group ahead of them, and McIlroy hit his tee shot on the par-4 second into a backyard. With no official nearby, he had to walk 300 yards back to the tee to hit again. That took time. Still, walking off the fourth green, the group of Woods, DeChambeau and Rose still had not reached the third tee.

DeChambeau, who considers such variables as air density and elevation change in his pre-shot routine, went over his allotted time on No. 5 and was given a warning for a bad time. He made birdie, took double bogey from a fairway bunker on the next hole and began his title defense with a 74.

He was frustrated by being on the clock, and by not getting through to the PGA Tour on how to measure

pace of play. "The time to hurry is in between shots. It's not the shot," DeChambeau said. "It's timing how

lowest on a rain-softened Muirfield Village. Only two of his seven birdies were longer than 10 feet, and the

wedge came up so short on a soft green that it spun off the front. He chipped in from 50 feet for birdie.

green into more rough, and then chipped in for par. On the par-5 fifth, his hybrid caught the right side of the green and he rolled in the long eagle putt.

Spieth took only 22 putts for the round.

And then his luck ran out with a tee shot that plugged into the sand left of the green on the par-3 eighth, leaving him two options: go at the pin and run off the green into rough, or aim away from the flag and leave a 60-foot putt for par. He chose the latter and came inches within making it.

"Sooner or later, it was going to bite me," Spieth said with a smile.

Even so, he had no complaints.

"Six under around Muirfield I'd take any day of the week, no matter what form you're coming into it with," he said.

"I felt like I hit more fairways today, gave me some more opportunities, and the putter stayed hot."

Thomas, in his first tournament since the Masters because of a bone bruise in his right wrist, showed plenty of rust in his round of 71. McIlroy had a 75 with two double bogeys, both from tee shots either lost (No. 15) or out-of-bounds (No. 2).

Anirban Lahiri, Marc Leishman and Martin Kaymer were at 67.

Woods made birdies on all but one of the par 5s. His regret was a few loose iron shots that led to bogey, especially on the 13th when he hit 9-iron from the fairway into a bunker that led to a careless bogey. But he finished strong — eventually — and while 10 players from his side of the draw broke 70, he wasn't too far behind.

At least on the leaderboard.

"That was frustrating, because the last eight holes we were on the clock," Woods said.

"The group ahead of us ... JT doesn't take a lot of time, Rory plays quick and Jordan was 7 under. So they were obviously playing fast. And we were obviously not." □



Ryan Moore smiles at his caddie on the 18th hole during the first round of the Memorial golf tournament Thursday, May 30, 2019, in Dublin, Ohio.

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people walk. You have to add that to the equation. If you've got someone walking slow, they get up to the shot, take their 20 seconds. What's the aggregate time for them to hit that shot in between shots? That's really what matters. That's what I believe. The total time it took me — if you were to take my process and walking time — is the exact time as everyone else."

Golf still is measured by score, and Moore had the

only time he came close to a bogey was on his opening hole, where he saved par with a 6-foot putt. He was among 22 players who broke 70, and only 44 players broke par despite the soft conditions. Phil Mickelson, using two drivers this week to go after longer tee shots on a half-dozen holes, opened with a 70.

Spieth looked as though he couldn't miss for the longest time. On his second hole, the par-5 11th, his

Another chip from thick rough caught the slope on the back of the par-5 15th green and rolled down to 3 feet for a birdie.

He went out in 32, made an 8-foot birdie putt on No. 3 and then had consecutive holes that illustrated how his round was going.

On the par-3 fourth, his tee shot was buried in the slope of a mound above the bunker. With his feet well below the ball, he hooked it out onto and across the

Santana's 3 hits, 5 RBIs power Indians past Red Sox 14-9

By The Associated Press

BOSTON (AP) — Carlos Santana homered and hit Cleveland's first triple of the season, Greg Allen added a pair of three-baggers and the Indians pounded out a season-high 18 hits in a 14-9 win over the Boston Red Sox on Wednesday night. Santana, who finished a single shy of the cycle, was 3 for 4 with five RBIs as Cleveland matched its season best for runs.

Jose Ramirez had two doubles and two RBIs. Allen and Kevin Plawewski also drove in two runs apiece for the Indians, who won two of three against the World Series champions in Boston. The Indians, shut out over the first seven innings Tuesday night before rallying with seven runs over the last two for a 7-5 win, scored at least once in each of the first seven innings Wednesday. Mookie Betts, Jackie Bradley Jr., Andrew Benintendi and Xander Bogaerts homered for Boston. The Red Sox scored three in the eighth, two on Bogaerts' 10th home run of the season, to pull to 14-9 and loaded the bases with one out in the ninth before the Indians called on Brad Hand to close it out for his 15th save.

Shane Bieber (4-2) got the win despite allowing six runs and eight hits in five innings. He struck out six.

ANGELS 12, ATHLETICS 7, 11 INNINGS

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — Gold Glove first baseman Matt Olson made a rare throwing error in the 11th inning to allow the go-ahead run to score and Los Angeles beat Oakland and sent the Athletics to their second straight loss after a 10-game winning streak.

Mike Trout was rested a day after fouling a ball off the top of his right foot.

Noé Ramírez (2-0) retired six batters to win. César Puello had three hits, including his first career home run, and drove in four runs.

Puello was hit by a pitch from Lou Trivino (2-1) leading off the 11th and moved to second on a wild pitch.

After Brian Goodwin walked, Luis Rengifo attempted to sacrifice both runners over. Olson attempted to field the bunt barehanded and bobbled the ball briefly before his throw to first sailed wide and into foul territory near the Angels bullpen.

Tommy LaStella singled three times and Jared Walsh had two hits and an RBI for the Angels. Shohei Ohtani singled, walked twice and scored once.

Olson, Mark Canha and Marcus Semien homered for Oakland.

YANKEES 7, PADRES 0

NEW YORK (AP) — DJ LeMahieu and Luke Voit jolted rookie Chris Paddack with instant home runs, James Paxton pitched four hitless innings in his return from the injured list and New York beat San Diego.

Gio Urshela also connected off Paddack, Gleyber Torres hit a late homer and Voit added his first big league triple as the Yankees won their eighth straight series.

San Diego didn't get a hit until the sixth when Wil Myers' blooper bounced out of LeMahieu's glove as he drifted out from second base. Paddack (4-3) was pulled after five innings trailing 4-0.

Jonathan Holder (4-2) worked two innings and earned the win as the Yankees used five pitchers to complete the four-hitter.

CUBS 2, ASTROS 1

HOUSTON (AP) — Kyle Hendricks pitched eight strong innings, Kyle Schwarber homered for the second straight game and Kris Bryant added a solo shot in his return to the lineup to help Chicago avoid a sweep with a win over Houston.

The game included a scary and jarring moment when a young fan was hit by a foul line drive off the bat of Albert Almora Jr. in the fourth inning. The Astros did not provide an immediate update on the girl's condition, though a photo taken by The Associated Press appeared to show her conscious and crying as she was quickly whisked away

and nearby fans looked on. Almora, the Cubs' center fielder, and other players from both teams were visibly shaken up by the scene. Hendricks (5-4) allowed four hits and one run with seven strikeouts for his fourth straight win. Steve Cishek worked a perfect ninth for his fifth save.

Wade Miley (5-3) worked seven innings, allowing six hits and two earned runs with nine strikeouts.

RANGERS 8, MARINERS 7

SEATTLE (AP) — Nomar Mazara and Asdrubal Cabrera hit consecutive doubles in the ninth inning, lifting Texas over Seattle.

The Rangers capitalized on three errors and a wild pitch by relief pitchers in the sixth inning, leading to one of four lead changes. Shin-Soo Choo then hit a two-run single in the eighth to tie it at 7 in an unexpected pinch-hit appearance to set up Texas' ninth-inning rally. Texas scored three runs in the first against Wade LeBlanc, but LeBlanc settled in and worked through the fifth inning, leaving with Seattle down 3-0. Things went very wrong when LeBlanc was replaced.

Jesse Biddle struck out the first batter he faced, but then flubbed Mazara's comebacker for one error and threw the ball away for another, allowing Mazara to reach second. Mazara got to third on a wild pitch while Biddle walked Cabrera, setting up Rougned Odor's RBI single and Ronald Guzmán's sacrifice fly for a 5-4 Rangers lead. Austin Adams relieved Biddle, threw wildly to first on a pickoff attempt but evaded further damage by striking out Jeff Mathis.

Haniger rallied the Mariners again with a sixth-inning home run to make it 7-5.

The bullpen couldn't hold that lead, either. Mazara singled to lead off the eighth and Odor walked before Choo's two-run single tied it. Mazara and Cabrera doubled off Anthony Bass (0-1) for the lead, and Shawn Kelley picked up his



Cleveland Indians' Carlos Santana hits a solo home run during the fourth inning of the team's baseball game against the Boston Red Sox, Wednesday, May 29, 2019, in Boston.

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sixth save.

TIGERS 4, ORIOLES 2

BALTIMORE (AP) — Brandon Dixon hit a tiebreaking two-run homer in the ninth inning to lead Detroit past Baltimore.

The Tigers took two of the three games and won their first road series since April 1-3 against the Yankees. Orioles reliever Mychal Givens allowed a solo homer to John Hicks that tied the game 2-2 in the eighth. Nick Ramirez (1-0) didn't allow a hit over three innings of relief. Shane Greene gave up a two-out double to Stevie Wilkerson in the ninth but still picked up his 18th save.

Keon Broxton got his second homer for Baltimore. Rookie left-hander John Means allowed one run and three hits with a season-high seven strikeouts and no walks over six innings for the Orioles, who have lost 13 of 16.

RAYS 4, BLUE JAYS 3, 11 INNINGS

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. (AP) — Willy Adames delivered a long single against a five-man infield in the 11th inning, driving in the winning run as Tampa Bay beat Toronto.

Adames' hit came off Justin Shafrer (0-1), who walked two and allowed a single by Avisail Garcia. With one

out and the infield jammed with fielders, Adames drove a ball to deep center field. Diego Castillo (1-3) got the win after pitching the 11th for the Rays, who have won five straight. The Blue Jays have lost seven of eight. Toronto had 12 hits, but went 2 for 16 with men in scoring position. Toronto had had four hits off Blake Snell's first 10 pitches of the game, including a two-run homer by Lourdes Gurriel Jr.

The game drew a crowd of 6,166, 380 more than Tuesday night's crowd of 5,786, the smallest in franchise history.

WHITE SOX 8, ROYALS 7

CHICAGO (AP) — Six innings after being beamed with a pitch from Kansas City starter Glenn Sparkman, Tim Anderson doubled in the go-ahead run in the eighth, lifting Chicago over Kansas City.

José Abreu hit a three-run homer, Yoán Moncada also connected and the White Sox swept a three-game series for the first time this season.

Jorge Soler homered and drove in three runs for Kansas City. Kelvin Herrera (2-3) got the win despite giving up two runs and Alex Colomé got the final three outs for his 11th save.

Ian Kennedy (0-2) took the loss. □

Dodgers rally for 4 in 9th against Díaz to defeat Mets 9-8

By The Associated Press
LOS ANGELES (AP) — Cody Bellinger hit a tying double in the ninth inning and Los Angeles scored four runs off All-Star closer Edwin Díaz to rally past New York. Joc Pederson and Max Muncy opened the bottom of the ninth with consecutive homers off Díaz (1-3), who was pitching for the fourth time in five days. Justin Turner doubled and scored on Bellinger's double. With the bases loaded and still nobody out, Alex Verdugo's sacrifice fly easily scored Bellinger with the winning run. Pete Alonso hit a pair of two-run homers to back starter Noah Syndergaard, and the Mets built an 8-3 lead in the seventh following back-to-back homers by Amed Rosario and Dominic Smith. But they squandered an excellent chance to add more, and New York's shaky bullpen gave up six runs while managing only seven outs the rest of the way. Scott Alexander (3-1) worked a hitless inning for the win. Corey Seager homered and had three hits for the NL-leading Dodgers, who have won 11 of 14. Turner and Matt Beaty also got three hits apiece. With 19 homers, Alonso matched the major league



Los Angeles Dodgers' Alex Verdugo, third from left with helmet, is mobbed by teammates after driving in the game-winning run with a sacrifice fly ball during the ninth inning of a baseball game against the New York Mets Wednesday, May 29, 2019, in Los Angeles.

rookie mark for most before June 1 set by Mark McGwire in 1987.
PHILLIES 11, CARDINALS 4
PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Bryce Harper hit his 10th homer, his 200th career double and drove in four before fouling a ball off his foot and exiting in the fifth inning, and Philadelphia beat St. Louis. The hot-hitting Harper drove a two-run homer in the third and followed an inning later with a two-run hustle double. He had three hits when he left the game

with the Phillies ahead by 10 runs. Aaron Nola (6-0) struck out eight over seven innings. Scott Kingery and Maikel Franco hit back-to-back homers in the fifth, and Andrew McCutchen hit a two-run shot two batters later to blow the game open. Matt Weathers homered for St. Louis. Genesis Cabrera took the loss, working 3 2/3 innings, allowing five hits, five runs (three earned) and two walks while striking out five.

PIRATES 7, REDS 2
CINCINNATI (AP) — Josh Bell tied Pittsburgh's record with his 12th homer in May, and the Pirates stopped Derek Dietrich's home run spree in beating Cincinnati for a split of the teams' four-game series. Bell's three-run homer tied Jason Bay's mark from May 2006. His 23rd extra-base hit in May left him one shy of Paul Waner's club record for any month. He had three hits, raising his average to .345 with 18 homers

overall. Colin Moran also had a three-run shot off Anthony DeSclafani (2-3), who has given up seven homers in his last three starts. Left-hander Steven Brault (2-1) fanned Dietrich twice during his latest shutdown performance against the Reds. Brault is 4-0 career against Cincinnati with a 1.03 ERA and a scoreless streak of 19 2/3 innings. Brault allowed three singles and struck out five in 5 1/3 innings of his third start.
NATIONALS 14, BRAVES 4
ATLANTA (AP) — Anibal Sánchez allowed one hit in six scoreless innings, Howie Kendrick hit a three-run double and Washington withstood a grand slam by rookie Austin Riley to beat Atlanta. Sánchez (1-6) returned to Atlanta, where he thrived in 2018, to earn his first win of the season. He was perfect through 5 1/3 innings and allowed one hit and one walk with seven strikeouts. Juan Soto and Matt Adams homered for Washington, which swept the two-game series and ended Atlanta's streak of five straight series victories. The Nationals have won five of six. Kevin Gausman (2-4) gave up eight runs, matching his career high, on eight hits and two walks while recording only three outs. □



A young child is carried from the stands after being injured by a foul ball off the bat of Chicago Cubs' Albert Almora Jr. during the fourth inning of a baseball game against the Houston Astros Wednesday, May 29, 2019, in Houston.

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MLB to keep monitoring netting issue after child is hit

By KRISTIE RIEKEN
AP Sports Writer
HOUSTON (AP) — Major League Baseball said Thursday it will keep examining its policy on protective netting at stadiums a day after a young fan was struck by a foul ball and hospitalized. The girl was hit Wednesday night during the game between the Chicago Cubs and Houston Astros, an incident MLB called "extremely upsetting." MLB said in a statement it sends its "best wishes to the child and family involved." It noted that clubs have "significantly expanded netting and their inventory

of protected seats in recent years," and the league will continue its "efforts on this important issue." Cubs outfielder Albert Almora Jr. hit a line drive in the fourth inning into the field-level stands down the third base line, where it hit the girl. After the game, the Astros said the fan was taken to a hospital, but did not disclose details on her condition. The team said Thursday the family has asked for privacy and will not provide updates. Like all major league stadiums, Minute Maid Park has netting to protect fans near

the field from foul balls. On the third base side in Houston, it extends to the end of the visiting team's dugout. The girl was sitting in what looked to be the third or fourth row about 10 feet past where the netting ends. Almora was asked if he thinks the netting should be expanded. Following recommendations from MLB, by the start of the 2018 season all 30 teams had expanded their protective netting to at least the far ends of the dugouts after several fans were injured by foul balls in 2017. □



In this Feb. 15, 2018, file photo, Finland goalie Noora Raty watches the action during a preliminary round women's hockey game against Russia at the 2018 Winter Olympics in Gangneung, South Korea.

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NWHL cancels expansion plans, open to talk of new league

By The Associated Press

The National Women's Hockey League is canceling plans to add a pair of Canadian teams for the 2019-20 season for now and making clear it is open to doing what's best for women's hockey. Even if that means a new league.

The NWHL made clear in a post on its website Thursday titled "We'll Always Do What's Best for the Game" that league officials would be happy to talk.

"If any individuals or groups come forward and declare they are ready to start and invest in a new league where women can receive a substantial full-time salary and medical insurance, we would be ecstatic to have a conversation about a partnership or passing the torch," the league wrote.

More than 200 of the world's top female players announced May 2 that they will not play professional hockey in North America at all this year in a bold attempt to establish a single, economically viable professional league. They also formed a new Professional Women's Hockey Players Association earlier this month.

The NWHL says the next season will start in October with five returning teams in the Boston Pride, Connecticut Whale, Buffalo Beauts, Metropolitan Riveters and

Minnesota Whitecaps. The league says whether more teams are added for this season will remain an option for a few more weeks. Kim Pegula and Pegula Sports gave back ownership of the Beauts to the NWHL earlier this month. The NWHL announced last week increased salaries and a 50-50 split of sponsor-related revenues and improved benefits in an agreement reached with its players' union.

Once the Canadian Women's Hockey League announced it would be ceasing operations May 1 due to financial issues, NWHL Commissioner Dani Rylan told The Associated Press in April that the league's board had approved an investment plan to establish teams in Toronto and Montreal.

On Thursday, the NWHL says whether more teams will be added this season remains an "open-ended question" for a few more weeks.

"To expand properly, as we did in Minnesota, time, co-operation and preparation is required," according to the NWHL post. "We would love to have more teams in 2019-20 and will make it happen if there is a spirit of partnership from all sides. Unless there is a change of heart soon, we will revisit expansion for the 2020-21 season." □



British boxer Anthony Joshua, left, and Andy Ruiz pose for photographers during a press conference ahead of their heavyweight bout, Thursday, May 30, 2019, in New York. Joshua will defend his WBA, WBO and IBF heavyweight titles.

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30-1 odds on Ruiz against Joshua say it all

By BARRY WILNER

AP Sports Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — The odds of 30-1 say it all.

Andy Ruiz barely was on anyone's heavyweight radar when he was summoned as a replacement to fight champion Anthony Joshua. On Saturday, massive underdog Ruiz promises he could be the next Buster Douglas.

"I've been an underdog all my life," Ruiz said Thursday in the final news conference before the fight that will be four-belt champion Joshua's Madison Square Garden debut and is close to attracting a sellout crowd. "The body shape I have and the way I look, maybe, but once I get into the ring ..."

He will take a 32-1 mark with 21 knockouts into the ring, and that's nothing to scoff at. Except that his range of opponents hasn't been stellar, and in Ruiz's biggest bout thus far, he lost a very close decision to Joseph Parker for the WBO crown that Joshua now owns.

He's also stepping in after fighting on April 20, when he stopped Alexander Dimitrenko. Jarrell Miller's failed drug tests sent the trash-talking New Yorker to the sidelines.

Still, Douglas pulled off

one of the great upsets in sports history when he knocked out Mike Tyson in 1990. When Douglas' name was mentioned to Ruiz, he smiled.

"If he looks past me," Ruiz said of Joshua (22-0, 21 KOs), "I think he should be focused on this fight first." Joshua is. Sort of. He claimed the overview of the heavyweight division, particularly unifying all the titles, remains on his mind. But not ahead of his American debut Saturday night in the fight for the WBA, IBF, WBO and IBO belts that will be streamed on DAZN.

"I've been practicing and am prepared for June 1," the champion from England said. "But I cannot not look at the bigger picture. I am not looking past him, but I know if I beat this guy what's out there for me." That would be WBC champion Deontay Wilder at some point, though Wilder has a rematch with Luis Ortiz on his plate. It also could be an all-British fight with Tyson Fury, who drew with Wilder last year and likely would mean a huge purse.

Still, in heavyweight boxing, anyone who steps into the ring has a puncher's chance. Ruiz, whose father, a native of Mexi-

co, got him into the gym when he was 6 and had his son in bouts a year later, knows how his life would change with a win. Boxing, in fact, changed his outlook on life.

"Boxing kept me away from big trouble," he said, noting he hung around with the wrong crowd and saw friends wind up in jail or on drugs in Imperial, California. "Then I joined the Mexican Olympic team when I was 16, and started getting serious about boxing."

"When my dad (first) took me to the gym, kids were beating my butt. I didn't want to go back. I end up keep doing it and a few months later I ended up beating them up."

"My hand raised" is what he sees. "I don't predict the knockout, the knockout comes when it comes. I'll stay focused and humble. Know why you're here."

He's here as nothing more than an opponent in the eyes of many, including, obviously, the bookmakers. Joshua, who knows Ruiz from the amateur ranks, credits him as a "top professional," but soon after saying that is busy talking about potential fights with Fury and Wilder. □

Facebook isn't deleting the fake Pelosi video. Should it?

By **BARBARA ORTUTAY**
AP Technology Writer
SAN FRANCISCO (AP) —

When a doctored video of House Speaker Nancy Pelosi — one altered to show the Democratic leader slurring her words — began making the rounds on Facebook last week, the social network didn't take it down. Instead, it "downranked" the video, a behind-the-scenes move intended to limit its spread. That outraged some people who believe Facebook should do more to clamp down on misinformation. Pelosi derided Facebook Wednesday for not taking down the video even though it knows it is false. But the company and some civil libertarians warn that Facebook could evolve into an unaccountable censor if it's forced to make judgment calls on the veracity of text, photos or videos.

Facebook has long resisted making declarations about the truthfulness of posts that could open it up to charges of censorship or political bias. It manages to get itself in enough trouble simply trying to enforce more basic rules in difficult cases, such as the time a straightforward application of its ban on nudity led it to remove an iconic Vietnam War photo of a naked girl fleeing a napalm attack. (It backed down after criticism from the prime



In this May 24, 2019, file photo speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., pauses during a panel discussion at Delaware County Community College in Media, Pa.

minister of Norway, among others.) But staying out of the line of fire is harder than it used to be, given Facebook's size, reach and impact on global society. The social network can't help but run into controversy given its 2.4 billion users and the sorts of decisions it must make daily— everything from which posts and links it highlights in your news feed to deciding what counts as hate speech to banning controversial figures or leaving them be.

Facebook has another incentive to keep its head down. The deeper it gets into editorial decisions, the more it looks like a publisher, which could tempt legislators to limit the liability shield it currently enjoys under federal law. In addition, making judgments about truth and falsity could quickly become one of the world's biggest headaches.

For instance, Republican politicians and other conservatives, from President Donald Trump to Fox News personalities, have been trumpeting the charge that Facebook is biased against

conservatives. That's a "false narrative," said Siva Vaidhyanathan, director of the Center for Media and Citizenship at the University of Virginia. But as a result, he said, "any effort to clean up Facebook now would spark tremendous fury."

Twitter hasn't removed the doctored Pelosi video, either, and declined comment on its handling of it. But YouTube yanked it down, pointing to community guidelines that prohibit spam, deceptive practices and scams. Facebook has a similar policy that prohibits the use of "misleading and inaccurate" information to gain likes, followers or shares, although it apparently decided not to apply it in this case.

None of these companies explicitly prohibit false news, although Facebook notes that it "significantly" reduces the distribution of such posts by pushing them lower in user news feeds. The problem is that such downranking doesn't quite work, Vaidhyanathan said. As of Wednesday, the video shared on Facebook by the group Politics Watch-

dog had been viewed nearly 3 million times and shared more than 48,000 times. By contrast, other videos posted by this group in the past haven't had more than a few thousand views apiece.

Further complicating matters is the fact that Facebook is starting to de-emphasize the news feed itself. CEO Mark Zuckerberg has outlined a broad strategy that will emphasize private messaging over public sharing on Facebook. And Facebook groups, many of which are private, aren't subject to downranking, Vaidhyanathan said.

Facebook didn't respond to emailed questions about its policies and whether it is considering changes that would allow it to remove similar videos in the future. In an interview last week with CNN's Anderson Cooper, Facebook's head of global policy, Monika Bickert, defended the company's decision, noting that users are "being told" that the video is false when they view or share it.

That might be a stretch. When an Associated Press reporter attempted to

share the video as a test, a Facebook pop-up noted the existence of "additional reporting" on the video with links to fact-check articles, but didn't directly describe the video as false or misleading.

Alex Stamos, Facebook's former security chief, tweeted Sunday that few critics of the social network's handling of the Pelosi video could articulate realistic enforcement standards beyond "take down stuff I don't like."

Mass censorship of misleading speech on Facebook, he wrote, would be "a huge and dangerous increase in FB's editorial power."

Last year, Zuckerberg wrote on Facebook that the company focuses on downranking so-called "borderline content," stuff that doesn't violate its rules but is provocative, sensationalist, "click-bait or misinformation."

While it's true that Facebook could just change its rules around what is allowed — moving the line on acceptable material — Zuckerberg said this doesn't address the underlying problem of incentive. If the line of what is allowed moves, those creating material would just push closer to that new line.

Facebook continuously grapples with the right way to deal with new forms of misinformation, Nathaniel Gleicher, the company's head of cybersecurity policy, said in a February interview with the AP. The problem is far more complex than carefully manipulated "deepfake" videos that show people doing things they never did, or even crudely doctored videos such as the Pelosi clip.

Any consistent policy, Gleicher said, would have to account for edited images, ones presented out of context (such as a decade-old photo presented as current), doctored audio and more. He said it's a huge challenge to accurately identify such items and decide what type of disclosure to require when they're edited. □



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US stocks give up some of their early gains on Wall Street

By DAMIAN J. TROISE
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Associated Press

Major U.S. stock indexes edged higher in afternoon trading Thursday, barely holding on to gains after an early rally lost momentum. The market's modest pick-up comes after two days of losses, which helped keep the S&P 500 on track for its fourth weekly loss and its first monthly decline of the year.

Stocks have been sliding in volatile trading all month as investors come to grips with the potential impact that the escalating trade war between the U.S. and China could have on corporate and economic growth.

Technology stocks, which have trailed only the energy sector in terms of losses this month, accounted for a big chunk of the market's gains Thursday. Keysight Technologies surged 10.8% after beating analysts' first quarter profit forecasts. Retailers and restaurant chains also notched solid gains. Dollar General rose sharply after reporting encouraging quarterly results. Home Depot gained 1.1% and McDonald's rose 1.4%. Clothing and apparel makers were weighed down by weak financial results. PVH, which owns Calvin Klein, plunged after cutting its forecast for the year. Watchmaker Movado Group dropped 4.5% after reporting weak earnings.



Traders Patrick Casey, left, and Gregory Rowe work on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange, Thursday, May 30, 2019.

Energy stocks fell the most as crude oil prices declined. Benchmark U.S. crude was down 2.9% on oversupply concerns. The federal government reported that crude stocks fell just under 300,000 barrels last week. Oil trading advisory firm Ritterbusch and Associates expected a decline of 2 million barrels.

With May almost at an end, the S&P 500 is heading for a loss of 5.5%. That would be its first monthly loss since December. The market has been heading steadily lower this month as prospects for the economy have dimmed and as traders got more worried about the lingering trade feud between

Washington and Beijing. In early May the U.S. and China concluded their 11th round of trade talks with no agreement. The U.S. then more than doubled duties on \$200 billion in Chinese imports, and China responded by raising its own tariffs.

KEEPING SCORE: The S&P 500 index was up 0.1% as of 1:52 p.m. Eastern time. The Dow Jones Industrial Average was up 19 points, or 0.1%, at 25,146. The Nasdaq composite rose 0.1%. Major stock indexes in Europe rose broadly.

ANALYST'S TAKE: After a rough May, trade concerns will likely continue hanging over the market through

most of June. That's when U.S. and Chinese leaders will have an opportunity to meet at the next G20 summit in Japan.

Until then, investors will have to deal with more uncertainty over the trade war's impact on global growth, corporate profit results and monetary policy.

WRINKLED FORECAST: PVH, the owner of the Calvin Klein and Tommy Hilfiger brands, plunged 14.2% after cutting its full year profit forecast because of weak sales. PVH cited weak sales in the U.S. and China and put some of the blame on the ongoing trade war between the world's two biggest economies.

PVH said the forecast includes the impact of tariffs. It is the latest retailer suffering from the fallout of the ongoing trade war between the U.S. and China. Retailers have seesawed this week as they express concern over tariffs squeezing their businesses.

DOLLAR DEALS: Dollar General rose 7.5% and Dollar Tree rose 3.7% after the discount retailers gave investors solid quarterly earnings results.

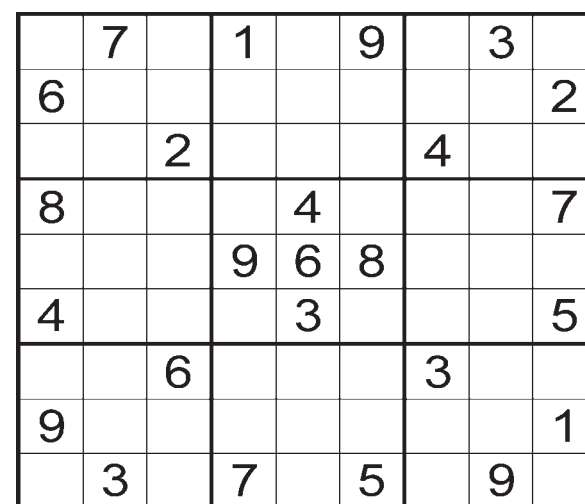
Dollar General beat forecasts for a key sales measure at established stores. It pegged part of that growth to customers buying more groceries and seasonal items. Dollar Tree matched profit forecasts while beating revenue forecasts for the quarter.

EARNINGS SCORECARD: Nearly all of the companies in the S&P 500 have reported their latest round of quarterly financial results. Analysts had issued dire warnings for a severe earnings contraction early this year, but the results have been surprisingly good.

Overall, profit contracted less than a half-percentage point. That's far better than the 4% drop Wall Street expected.

A few companies have yet to report results. Ride-hailing company Uber, which went public earlier in May, was scheduled to report its quarterly financial results for the first time later Thursday. □

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Prague Zoo sends 3 pelicans to London's St. James's Park

Associated Press

PRAGUE (AP) — Three great white pelicans are on their way from Prague Zoo to Britain to join a famed flock that has made London's St. James's Park home since the 17th century. Keepers were carefully carrying the birds one by one Thursday morning to transport cages on of a van will take them on the 17-hour drive to the British capital. It is for the third time the zoo has sent its pelicans to the park. It started with four birds in 1995 when the zoo was one of the few in Europe capable of breed-



A keeper carries a great white pelican at the Zoo in Prague, Czech Republic, Thursday, May 30, 2019.

Associated Press ing them. Three others followed in 2013. □

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Sound barrier to chase seals, prevent shark attacks debated

By PHILIP MARCELO

Associated Press

BOSTON (AP) — A plan to develop an acoustic system to chase away seals in order to prevent shark attacks is the latest front in the debate about how Cape Cod should respond in the wake of last year's shark attacks.

Deep Blue LLC presented the idea for an "invisible fence" to the Barnstable County Commissioners on Wednesday, drawing support from some officials and residents but concern from local animal rights groups. Company owner Willy Planinshek envisions a system of underwater audio devices set up at the region's most popular swimming beaches. The devices would be mounted on buoys some distance from the shore and emit a sound unpleasant to seals but inaudible to humans. Planinshek believes that if seals are discouraged from the areas, the great white sharks that feast on them will also stay away.

"We're creating an invisible fence like what use to keep your dog on your property," he said. "Except in this case, we're keeping other dogs out of the yard." Commission members applauded the idea as a "proactive rather than reactive" solution, echoing a common criticism of shark safety proposals so far adopted by local officials. They asked the company to return in the fall to give an update on their progress developing the system. "Anything that would give the public more confidence in our beaches is important to us," said Commission Chair Ronald Bergstrom. Two men were attacked — one fatally — by sharks off the Cape



In this Sept. 16, 2015, file photo, beachgoers keep an eye on the seals swimming at Coast Guard Beach in North Eastham, Mass.

last summer. Local animal rights activists said they support non-lethal solutions to the region's concerns but cautioned that such acoustic deterrent systems have failed elsewhere. Seals have been found to make simple adjustments to cope with the noise emitted by the underwater devices, such as swimming with their head above water, said Sharon Young, a Cape Cod resident and marine issues field director for the Humane Society of the United States. The sound systems have also been found to negatively impact other species of marine life, said Brian Sharp, director of marine mammal rescue and research for the Cape Cod-based International Fund for Animal Welfare. And it's no guarantee the great white sharks will move on even if the seals leave, since the Cape's waters also teem with other marine life the sharks favor, such as large fish and

whales, Young and Sharp said. "When public money is being spent, you should not be throwing good money after bad ideas," Young said. "This is just reinventing a broken wheel." Planinshek disputed the notion that the sharks would remain even if seals left and

said the system wouldn't harm other marine life or humans. He stressed that his company isn't seeking public funding to develop its idea. Some local residents also said the activists for prioritizing seal and shark welfare over the safety of humans. "The question here is: do

seals still need to be protected? We have a law that's been on the books for 50 years," said resident John Kartsounis, referring to the federal Marine Mammal Protection Act on 1972. "Seals are not endangered, and neither are great whites." Cape officials could seek a narrow exemption to the federal law, as some states have done, suggested Commission member Ronald Beaty. In 2008, Washington, Oregon, and Idaho received federal authority to remove or kill sea lions preying on salmon and other protected fish species. Cape Cod officials have invested in emergency call boxes, specially equipped beach medical kits and additional lifeguard training and other safety measures ahead of the summer beach season. They're also paying for an independent study on more costly and controversial steps, such as investing in shark barriers, aerial drones or seal culls. That report, however, won't be ready until the fall. □

Report: NASA's major projects busting budgets, schedules

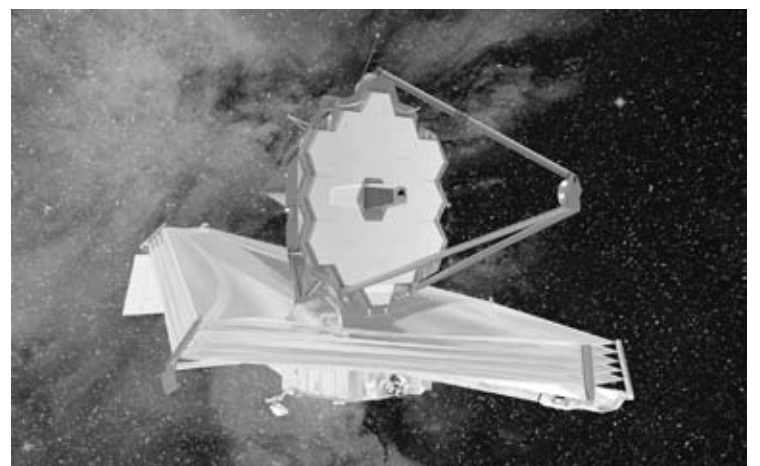
By MARCIA DUNN

AP Aerospace Writer

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla.

(AP) — NASA's major projects are busting budgets and schedules like never before, according to a congressional watchdog agency.

The U.S. Government Accountability Office reported Thursday that NASA's major projects are more than 27 percent over baseline costs and the average launch delay is 13 months. That's the largest schedule delay since the GAO began assessing NASA's major projects 10 years ago. The still-in-development James Webb Space Telescope is the major offender. The projected launch date for this advanced successor to the Hubble Space Telescope is now 2021, with an estimated \$9.6 billion price tag, the GAO noted.



This 2015 artist's rendering provided by Northrop Grumman via NASA shows the James Webb Space Telescope.

Associated Press

Its original target launch date was 2007, with initial cost estimates as low as \$1 billion. NASA's yet-to-fly mega rocket, the Space Launch System, also faces big cost overruns because of production challenges and, likely, even more launch delays. On the bright side, the Park-

er Solar Probe launched last summer and looping ever closer around the sun came in millions under budget and was also on time. The GAO defines a major project as having at least \$250 million in lifetime costs. Altogether, NASA plans to invest \$63 billion on the 24 major projects listed in the GAO's latest report. □

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Jeff Daniels: 'To Kill a Mockingbird' is role of a lifetime

By JOHN CARUCCI

Associated Press

NEW YORK (AP) — Early in the morning on a two-show day on Broadway, Jeff Daniels reluctantly talks about his Tony Award nomination.

He doesn't want to get his hopes up, so he prefers to "remain neutral" on the nod, his third. As for the role that got him there, well, that's another story.

Daniels perks up when the conversation turns to his portrayal of Atticus Finch, the small-town attorney immortalized in the Harper Lee novel "To Kill a Mockingbird," adapted now for the stage.

Lee chronicled the innocence and tragedy of her childhood in the classic novel, shining a light on the Jim Crow-era South as well as injustice in a small Alabama town.

Nearly 60 years after the novel was published, Daniels sees the play embrace the same values.

"I think the big thing that it did in the '60s, that it also does now, is it slaps white America in the face," Daniels said. The novel won the Pulitzer Prize for literature in 1961, and the film version



This May 1, 2019 file photo shows Jeff Daniels at the 73rd annual Tony Awards "Meet the Nominees" press day in New York.

took home three Oscars, including a best actor award for Gregory Peck.

That pedigree makes stepping into the shoes of Finch a daunting task, one that required a careful balance of research for Daniels.

"I watched the movie once, and then put it away. I read the book once, and again with highlighting Atticus' stuff," Daniels said.

That was just the starting point. From there, Daniels

immersed himself in understanding 1930s-era Alabama so he could focus on the period, rather than imitating Peck, or, as he puts it, "climbing Mount Gregory Peck."

Daniels approached it like he was originating the role. "Peck either did the definitive, can't-imagine-anyone-else-in-this-performance, or he was the only guy who got to do it. So, if you're going to do it, that's

the approach you have to take and roll the dice and see what happens," Daniels said. "It's the role of a lifetime, and all I'm trying to do is give the performance of my life every night. Because I know what I got. I know how precious this role is, and that's why I said yes to it for a year," Daniels said. Eight times a week, Daniels feels the pulse of the play in front of a live audience. While Jim Crow laws have

gone by the wayside, he said the story is still relevant today when it comes to racial bigotry.

"It's probably as pronounced as racism has been in decades," he said. "We have to decide whether there is goodness in everyone. Whether there is compassion and generosity and civility and respect for others in everyone. Atticus believes that, and he comes to find out that that may not be the case. And I think as we look around today, that's an arguable point."

Noticeably absent from the Tony nominations this season was a nod for playwright Aaron Sorkin, whose script fuels the work. But co-star Celia Keenan-Bolger — who earned one of the play's nine nominations — said the cast and crew shared their joy with him.

"We're doing great at the box office, and so many people that were a part of the production were recognized. But, of course, the truth is that none of us would be here if it weren't for Aaron Sorkin. So, our nomination is his nomination," Keenan-Bolger said. □

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Blast from the past comedies, Fawcett bio win in TV ratings

By LYNN ELBER

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Blasts from the past proved irresistible to viewers, who flocked to live versions of a pair of classic sitcoms and a special about a 20th-century TV beauty. ABC's re-creation of episodes of "All in the Family" and "The Jeffersons" was among last week's most-watched programs with 10.4 million viewers, according to Nielsen figures released Wednesday.

Woody Harrelson played Archie Bunker, the role originated by the late Carroll O'Connor on "All in the Family," with Jamie Foxx following in the footsteps of Sherman Hemsley as George Jefferson.

A "Nightline" program on the do-overs of producer



This image released by ABC shows Wanda Sykes as Louise Jefferson, left, and Jamie Foxx as George Jefferson in "Live in Front of a Studio Audience: Norman Lear's 'All in the Family' and 'The Jeffersons,'" special which aired on Wednesday, May 22.

Norman Lear's famed 1970s and '80 comedies also landed in the top 10, with an ABC documentary on the life and career of Farrah Fawcett coming in at No. 12.

The actress, who shot to fame in the "Charlie's Angels" series in 1976 and later appeared in the sitcom "Spin City" and in movies and on stage, died of cancer in 2009 at age 62.

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NBC, powered by "The Voice" and its "Chicago" drama franchise, was the week's most-watched broadcast network with an average 4.35 million viewers, just squeezing past CBS' 4.33 million. ABC averaged 3.87 million, Fox had 2.5 million, ION Television had 1.27 million, Univision with 1.26 million, Telemundo 1.1 million and the CW 610,000.

ABC's "World News Tonight" topped the evening newscasts with an average of 8.1 million viewers. NBC's "Nightly News" was second with 7.2 million and the "CBS Evening News" averaged 5.4 million viewers.

For the week of May 20-26, the top 10 shows, their networks and viewerships: "NCIS," CBS, 12 million;

"Live: All in the Family-The Jeffersons," ABC, 10.4 million; NBA Playoffs: Golden State at Portland, ESPN, 7.99 million; "The Voice," NBC, 7.97 million; "Nightline: All in the Family-The Jeffersons," ABC, 7.7 million; "Chicago Med," NBC, 7.5 million; "Chicago Fire," NBC, 7.49 million; "The Voice" (Tuesday), NBC, 7.4 million; "Chicago P.D.," NBC, 6.6 million; NBA Playoffs: Milwaukee at Toronto, Turner, 6.4 million. ABC is owned by The Walt Disney Co. CBS is owned by CBS Corp. CW is a joint venture of Warner Bros. Entertainment and CBS Corp. Fox is owned by Fox Corp. NBC and Telemundo are owned by Comcast Corp. ION Television is owned by ION Media Networks. □

Octavia Spencer like you've never seen her before in 'Ma'

By **LINDSEY BAHR**
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Octavia Spencer is a movie star. She has been for almost a decade since audiences and Oscar voters fell in love with her as Minnie in "The Help." Since then she's gotten two more supporting actress Oscar nominations, one of which was for a film that became another "surprise" blockbuster ("Hidden Figures"), ramped up

her production company, acted consistently in film and television and written children's books. She even executive produced this year's best picture winner, "Green Book."

But there was one thing she hadn't yet done in her nearly 25 years in the business: Starred in her own film. She'd been a lead before, but she'd never been first on the call sheet. Until now.



This image released by Universal Pictures shows Octavia Spencer in a scene from "Ma."

Associated Press

The film that righted that wrong is "Ma," a Blumhouse horror movie in which she plays a small town woman who buys beer for some local high school students and lets them party in her basement, before things take a sinister turn. It opens nationwide this weekend, and it's unlike anything audiences have seen Spencer do before.

"There are only a couple of archetypes people are comfortable seeing me in. And for me, it's like, you know you might only be comfortable seeing me this way, but there are so many colors in this crayon box," Spencer, 47, said. "I want to play everything that you don't think I can do."

She'd found herself, despite all the success, being considered for only "nurturer" or "sage" roles. She wanted to stretch.

The only reason "Ma" came to her was Tate Taylor, who wrote and directed "The Help," but also has been Spencer's friend since they were production assistants together on "A Time to Kill" in 1995, dreaming about a move to Los Angeles and a career in movies.

The script Taylor saw was written for a white woman, but he thought of Spencer nonetheless.

"She had expressed to me she was frustrated," Taylor said. "She's grateful for her

career but she was being offered the same thing and never the lead. Women of color just don't get the lead unless they're a slave or a maid." So he called his former roommate (they lived together in a mid-city Los Angeles duplex for seven years), and proposed this semi-deranged film that would be a departure for both of them.

"I said, 'Well, usually black people get killed in the first 15 minutes of a horror film,'" Spencer said. "And he said, 'Not only do you not die within the first 15 minutes, but you actually do all the killing.' I thought, 'Ok, I'm interested.'"

The script needed some work, though. Ma didn't really have a motivation, she was just crazy, and Taylor changed that.

"The things that he changed weren't based on race," Spencer said. "It was just giving her a backstory, to give her a reason, in her mind, as to why she takes such a dark turn." But ask Spencer what her dream role is and the answer might surprise you.

"I always say, the part of producer," she said. "Not only do I get to create opportunities for myself but for other people. I still live by that. And if there is something that I'm dying to do, if it's not written, as a producer, I have an option

now to create it for myself." She'd been optioning books going back to her time on "The Help," but her first executive producing credit actually came about by accident when Ryan Coogler's "Fruitvale Station" lost \$150,000 of its \$900,000 budget.

"I put in some money and then I started making some calls to people... I don't even know that I had the resources. I just knew that it was important for me to do," Spencer said. "We were not going to let it die on the vine, and I had just worked with people who I knew had the resources and so I called."

She got some nos, but those people regretted it and have since kept bugging her for whatever else she's got.

"I say, I'm not going to call you unless I need you again and you know when I make that call it'll be something worthy of your time," Spencer said with a smile.

She's got a lot on her plate right now. She's jet-lagged, for one, having just gotten off a plane from London where she's filming the remake of "The Witches." She's also teamed up with LeBron James to produce and star in a Netflix series about entrepreneur Madam C.J. Walker, as well as an AppleTV+ crime drama "Truth Be Told." □

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Couture Council to honor Louboutin and his red-soled shoes

By JOCELYN NOVECK

Associated Press

NEW YORK (AP) — From a tiny bottle of nail polish, a luxury fashion empire was born.

Designer Christian Louboutin says he was experimenting in his factory one day when he suddenly seized his assistant's bottle of red polish to blot out the usual black soles and try some bright color.

The experiment stuck, obviously. And now Louboutin's red-soled stilettos, featuring sky-high heels and fetching sky-high prices, are "utterly iconic as a symbol of erotic femininity," says Valerie Steele, director of The Museum at FIT — explaining why Louboutin has been chosen as this year's honoree of the museum's Couture Council.

The prestigious honor, awarded each year at the beginning of New York Fashion Week in September, usually goes to a clothes designer. But, Louboutin told The Associated Press this week, fashion lovers have a special relationship with shoes — more than with clothes, or at least different.

"The woman carries the clothes. But the shoes? They carry the woman," the Paris-based designer said Tuesday in a telephone interview. "So it's a very different interaction." The shoe,



This May 28, 2017 file photo shows Christian Louboutin at the award ceremony at the 70th international Cannes Film festival in Cannes, France.

he said, "is a pedestal. But this little thing on your feet is also making you a different person, in a lot of ways. It's affecting the entire silhouette and the way you're going to walk and move." There's another advantage, he adds, to footwear: The wearer can see it. "If you have a dress, you can't see it unless you have a mirror. But if you have a pair of shoes, you can still look at your feet. All the time."

Steele, at FIT (Fashion Institute of Technology), says

shoes have always been an important part of the museum's voluminous collection, which includes some 4,000 pairs "and counting." "People really obsess over their shoes," she says. She calls Louboutin's red soles "a stroke of genius — what a simple and yet effective thing, because red is coded for us as the color of passion and seduction and love ... but who would have thought to have put it on the sole of a shoe?"

Louboutin also designs

men's shoes, but it's women's footwear he's famous for, especially the heels (though he designs flats, too). They range from hundreds of dollars per pair well into the thousands, depending on the adornment. They're loved by celebrities; "I'm throwing on my Louboutins," goes the chorus of a 2009 Jennifer Lopez song.

Louboutin, 56, says his career began with a childhood hobby of sketching shoes.

"When adults asked what I wanted to do when I grew up, I said I wanted to draw shoes," he says. "But I didn't think it was a real job."

He'd been designing for several years when he discovered the red-sole idea in the early '90s. A few weeks after the nail polish experiment, he says, he was in his Paris shop, watching a couple consider a pair of shoes with typical black soles. His female co-worker felt the man was "very handsome," Louboutin says, and watched as he turned over a pair of shoes to find nothing interesting on the soles. When the couple left, the co-worker remarked that she should have put her phone number on the soles.

Louboutin took that as a sign, he says, "that the sole should have its own identity."

He considered changing the color every season, but then realized that red — the color of blood, he points out — was unique. "I had many customers who would only wear black, but they wore red on their lips or on their nails," he says.

Louboutin's shoes are worn by fashionistas around the world — first lady Melania Trump seems to be a fan, often photographed in Louboutins like a towering yellow pair she wore recently in Japan. □

Associated Press

Mavis Staples and Ben Harper combine for great music

By MARK KENNEDY

Associated Press

Mavis Staples, "We Get By" (Anti-Records)

Time has certainly not dampened the urgency in Mavis Staples' voice. Now 80, the Grammy-winning legend and social activist has one clear enemy on her new album: the status quo. She sings the word "change" some 20 times.

The terrific "We Get By" opens with the song "Change" and ends 10 tracks later with "One More Change to Make." Along the way, she urges action: "Can't stay the same," "Something's got to give" and "Grab hold of the days." All the songs on this, her 12th studio album, were written



This cover image released by Anti-Records shows "We Get By," a release by Mavis Staples.

Associated Press

by Ben Harper and their union is both fruitful and moving. Harper has given Staples some tunes that show off her vulnerable side and

others that make you move, with some funk and folk and soul and blues, the guitars often shimmering. He joins her in singing the dynamic, soulful "We Get By."

The Staples-Harper collaboration dates back to when he wrote the terrific song "Love and Trust" for her 2016 album, "Livin' On a High Note." She thanks him for all his new work in the liner notes: "I love you, Baby Bruh." He has three Grammys, but Harper might put that career achievement first.

Harper has written and produced an unrushed and quietly brooding album for Staples, one that puts her expressive voice at the center and the instruments turned down. Two songs — "Never Needed Anyone" and "Heavy On My

Mind" — sound like the band was another room down the hall.

In between calls for change, Staples sings about love. On "Chance on Me," she is needy: "I don't need a symphony/I just need one violin." On the tender, bluesy "Hard to Leave," she's longing: "Softly reaching over/For your touch upon my sleeve."

Then there's the standout "Stronger," an irresistible rocking track where Staples' voice stretches and soars and the guitar keeps up with her. "Don't need a house on the hill/Don't need my face on a dollar bill," she sings.

Hey, George Washington has had a long run. Who's down with Staples on the \$1? Change can be good. □

Vacant office parks find new life as schools, colleges

By **MICHAEL MELIA**
Associated Press

FAIRFIELD, Conn. (AP) — On the new satellite campus of Sacred Heart University, the helicopter landing pad remains as one of the few reminders that the wooded, 69-acre property served until recently as the global headquarters for General Electric.

Where Jack Welch sat at the pinnacle of corporate America, professors now lead classes inside the sleek, 1970s buildings on the campus purchased by the university following GE's departure for Boston in 2016.

Across the country, office parks that have lost their luster with employers are being repurposed as school buildings. Colleges and school districts willing to think beyond traditional school settings are retrofitting office space to help them deal with growing enrollments and a scarcity of land in urban and suburban areas.

Sacred Heart computer science professor Bob McCloud said he likes the natural light the floor-to-ceiling windows bring into the classrooms. And the leftover cubicles outside his office leave plenty of room for his graduate students. But he is still adjusting to the former GE site.

"It's a little corporate," he said.

A 28-bedroom guesthouse with a ballroom has been kept by the university to support a new hospitality program. Renovations are still underway at the two main buildings, but the university already has moved the education, computer science and engineering departments to what it is calling its West Campus, a short shuttle ride from the main campus.

Michael Kinney, a university administrator, said the \$31.5 million paid for the property was a bargain when compared with the cost of new construction.

A similar idea has been under consideration a few miles down the Connecticut shoreline in Stamford, where the school district



This undated photo made available by Josh Meister shows the North Atlanta High School in Atlanta. Associated Press

was looking at an unoccupied building that once housed Xerox as the potential site of an elementary school.

Some other examples:

ATLANTA

When Atlanta Public Schools decided to build a high school inside a 11-story office tower that once housed IBM, designers found classrooms fit well within the column structure. But there was plenty that needed changing.

A nine-story building on the 56-acre property was torn down to make room for a gymnasium and auditorium. Stairs were installed to create double-level common areas for each grade level and reduce logjams on the elevators. And laminated glass was installed in all the floor-to-ceiling win-

dows to keep students from falling through if any were to crash into them while roughhousing.

IBM's kitchen and cafeteria were kept in place — with some modifications.

"You can't have chandeliers in a kids' cafeteria," said Bob Just, an architect with the firm Cooper Carry in Atlanta.

North Atlanta High School opened in the new space in 2013. IBM once employed over 5,000 people at the site but that had number had dwindled to less than a thousand as more were working at home or customer sites.

ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA

With a fast-growing student population, and little available land, the city of Alexandria saw opportunity in a cheap, vacant office tow-

er that had once housed the National Diabetes Association headquarters.

In September, the building reopened as the Ferdinand T. Day Elementary School, named for a civil rights advocate who worked for desegregation in Alexandria. The school district bought a parking garage adjacent to the building for playground space, including a basketball court on the roof. A footbridge was built to allow children to walk from the third floor of the school to the building with play areas.

The bottom four floors make up the school, with the top two reserved for school office space. With large windows that let in abundant natural light, school district spokeswoman Helen Lloyd said the building lent itself

well to a school setting, and the retrofit took much less time than it would have to build a new school.

"We went to the planning council in September, and 11 months later the building opened, all glossy and gorgeous," she said.

HOUSTON

As the Awty International School was looking for room to expand its early learning center, the Houston neighborhood was seeing business parks give way to more condos, apartments and retail development.

When an office park across the street became available for sale, the private school in the city center bought the five-acre property. It opened in September 2017 as a campus for preschool through first grade students. A playground replaced a parking lot in an interior courtyard, and the ceiling was raised in one building to accommodate a gym.

The 30-year-old development had been home to businesses including a bicycle maker and a tax office before being sold. The school renovated the entire property, adding color to the brick facade with new resin panels, and they were on track for significant savings compared to the costs of new construction before running into challenges with the remodeling.

"I'm not sure in the end we really realized those savings," said Don Davis, the school's director of facilities, "but it turned out to be a very nice project." □



This August 2018 photo provided by The Awty International School shows a playground at The Early Learning campus at The Awty International School in Houston. Associated Press



This Oct. 2, 2018, photo shows the former General Electric headquarters in Fairfield, Conn., that was purchased by Sacred Heart University in 2016. Associated Press